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To-day's Events

APRIL

24 Junior Reel Club, Open Afternoon, 6
24 Signals Coy., S.V.C., Annual Dinner and Dance, 7.30

Coming Events

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25 Anzac Day Memorial Ceremony at Cenotaph, 8.30 a.m.
25 A.W.C. Bridge and Mahjongg, 3
25 Australian & New Zealand Society's dinner, 8.30
25 Iranian Residents' Assn. dinner dance, Cathay Hotel, 8.30
26 Caldbeck, Macgregor & Co., Ltd., Annual Meeting at 11.30 a.m.
26 B.W.A. Sports, Bridge/Mahjongg, 3
26 Theosophical Society, 75 Jessfield Road, Public Lecture, 6
27 Rummage Sale, American Women's Club, 9 a.m.
27 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.30
27 K.D.S. Bridge/Mahjongg Tea, Race Club, entrance Mohawk Road, 3
27 Royal Asiatic Society meeting
27 O.A.G. & Sinica: 'Neunhundert Jahre Typendruck in China,' Lecture, 6.30
27 Old Marlburian Club, Dinner, S'hai Club, 8.15
27 G. Koudinoff's gala performance 'The Last Waltz' by Strauss, Lt. Op., Lyceum, 8.45
27 World Bridge Olympic, S.I.B.C., 9
28 B.U.S.C. Annual Meeting at Park Hotel
28 Nordisk Fest, Cercle Sportif Francais 8
28 American Junior Chamber of Commerce, Dinner Dance, 9
29 Dinner Dance, Floorshow, C.S.F., 8.30
29 'The Last Waltz,' Lt. Op., Lyc., 8.45
29 Artist Club, Shanghai, first evening performance, A.W.C., 9
29 A.T.A. presents 'Whose Money,' 'The Eve in Evelyn,' 'A Flower of Yeddo,' at Shanghai Jewish School, 9
30 St. Andrew's v. St. George's Soc., Golf Match
30 'The Last Waltz,' Lt. Op., Lyc., 8.45
30 Municipal Orchestra Symphony Concert, Lyceum, 5.15

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2 A.W.C. Literary Dept. tiffin, 12.30
4 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.30
4 B.W.A. Bridge and Mahjongg, 3
4 S.W.A. general meeting, C.S.F., 4
4 B.W.A., S.S.B. Jumble Sale
4 B.U.S.C., 'Petroleum Refining,' by H.G.B. Perry, 114 Peking Road, 6
4 Beethoven's Mass in C. Community Church, 8.30
4 Le Ballet Russe, gala performance of 'The Sleeping Beauty,' symphonic ballet music by Tschaikowsky, Lyc., 9
4 American Sch'l operetta, 'Boy Blue,' 4
5 Annual Dinner of the Society of Chartered Accountants in China, 8.15
5 Shanghai Camera Club Meeting and Lecture, 330 Szechuen Road, 9
6 Prof. B. Zakharoff's pupils' annual Sports, Kiaochow Park, 2.30
6 American School operetta, 'Boy piano recital, A.W.C., 4
6 Cathedral Boys' School Athletic Blue,' 5.30
6 Ballet Russe, 'Sleeping Beauty,' Lyc.
7 Ballet Russe, 'Sleeping Beauty,' Lyc.
9 A.W.C. flower show, 2.30
9 German A.D.C. 'Lauter Luegen,' Lyc., 9
11 Rotary Club. Metropole Hotel, 12.30
12 B.W.A. Gardening Club Day, 4
16 A.W.C. annual meeting, 3
16 Cath. Boys' School, M.C.L. Entertainment, 5.30
16 Gala performances, Lyceum Theatre, 'Music Hall 1900/1939'
17 Cath. Boys' School, M.C.L. Entertainment, 5.30
17 Gala performances, Lyceum Theatre, 'Music Hall 1900/1939'
19 Institution of Electrical Engineers (China Centre) annual dinner, 8
20 S'hai Light Horse, Ann. Ball, Race Club
23 A.W.C. Bridge and Mahjongg, 3

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Local Celebration of Herr Adolf Hitler's Birthday
I.R.C. 27th Annual Race Meeting and Reception
S.V.C. Inspection Parade
Local Sports
Local Weddings

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Ratepayers' Meeting: Golden Egg Laying Goose

To the Editor of the
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SIR,—Whilst not approving in the least of Mr. R. L. Stewart's method of criticising the Council for their extravagance during the past year and their generosity to their "A" class staff, it gives me an uneasy feeling when I see that some of the ratepayers who objected so strongly to Mr. Stewart's criticism of the Council are active representatives of the utility concerns, and I hope this does not mean that increased surcharges are in the offing!

As I was unable to attend the meeting owing to business exigencies, I am unaware of the identity of the Ratepayer who referred to Mr. Stewart as "tripe" but I think all will agree that such a remark was most reprehensible and it is surprising perhaps that the Chairman, if he heard the remark, did not require its withdrawal. Perhaps the Ratepayer concerned will make due amends and thus uphold British ideas of fair play.

Although Mr. Harris is on more familiar ground when supporting the Orchestra or the Majestic Centre, his speech dealt with a subject on which we all feel very deeply, but surely even Mr. Harris knows that electric current is supplied to the Outside Roads area by the Western District Power Co. of Shanghai by agreement with the former City Government, and the Municipal Council, I believe, has no control over the company. However, I fear that the Council cannot do much more to improve conditions in the Outside Roads area without support from the Consular body.

I think the Council has come through another difficult year with flying colours, but it entirely passes my comprehension that they should spoil such a fine record by their ill-advised action in giving the large and unnecessary salary increases to their "A" class employees, and these increases were as much a surprise to the general body of ratepayers as they apparently were to the "A" class employees themselves.

In spite of the findings of the Special Committee of Business Men, all of whom, it must be noted, being connected with very prosperous business concerns, I am still of the opinion that the salary increases were on far too generous a scale, and it is common knowledge that a large proportion of the ratepayers, and it is the ratepayers who have to provide the money, are in complete agreement with this view.

The old fable of the goose and the golden eggs may be applied in this matter. We should all try to keep the poor old goose alive so that the golden eggs may be forthcoming in the future and not try to get them now, when the goose is not feeling so well!

RATEPAYER.

Shanghai, Apr. 22.

Anti-Aggression: The Value of the U.S.S.R.

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

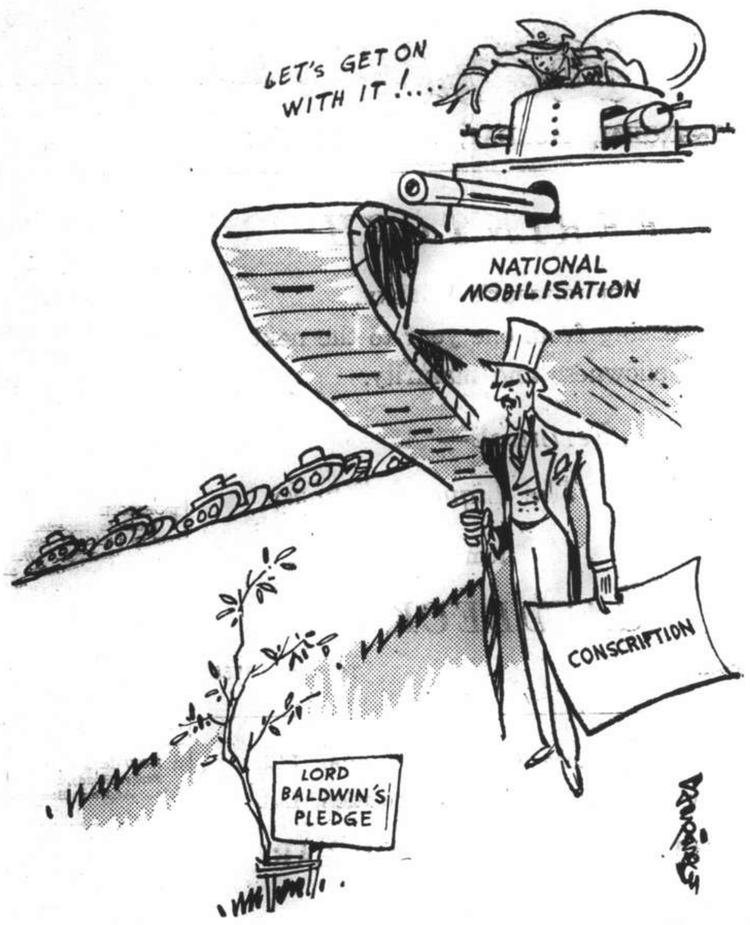
SIR,—Your correspondent V.F.G. made some statements in your today's issue, with which it is very difficult not to agree, I would like therefore to make a few minor corrections in his statements. He is wondering, for instance, how it happened that the great western democratic powers came to the decision of including the U.S.S.R. into their anti-aggression bloc. In his opinion the bolshevism is doomed to disappear and therefore it would be better policy to fight him just now instead of helping him.

In my humble opinion the western democracies are doing now just the thing V.F.G. wants: their diplomacy is endeavouring to draw U.S.S.R. into a war. That is the first and the most important thing needed at the present. When U.S.S.R. goes into a war, the unfailing laws of nature will assert themselves and will do the rest. The only trouble is that U.S.S.R.'s government might prove to be wise enough not to go into the war at all.

V.F.G. worries about the aeroplanes, tanks, guns etc. which might become easy prey of Herr Hitler, thus strengthening his military power. I will allow myself to reassure him: if even Herr Hitler takes hold of these arms, they will be of no military use for him, except as iron scrap. He must remember that last year there was a "purge" in U.S.S.R. in connection with the discovery that 20 per cent. of the gun ammunition produced by the soviet factories were not charged. As for the tanks and other mechanical weapons, Herr Hitler knows their real value (as the democracies know too) from the first hand information taken at the battle fields in Spain. Therefore the western diplomacy is doing now the right thing. So just wait and see.

CONTEMPORARY.

Shanghai, Apr. 22.



BY SAPAJOU

That Uncomfortable Legacy

In the Russian Colony

By "Smov"

It would be extremely difficult to divine the political sentiment of youth in the Russian colony. Many of them don't bother to think of politics at all. Many others, without going into political arguments, are imbued with a healthy patriotism; in other words, they do not want to see Russia lose anything of what is now hers. There is a politically active element among Russian youths—emigrés who would like to see a victory of the White Cause, and emigrés who favour the present régime in Russia—although their conception of that régime is a hazy and extremely theoretical one formed from newspapers, books and the few Soviet films that have come to Shanghai.

So much has been written in these columns on the political sentiment of the older generation that to expand further on that topci would be reduntant. But political aspirations are one thing; sober and dispassionate thoughts on the meaning of a future war are quite another. From war a Russian emigré may, perhaps, expect a fulfilment of many of his plans, but if he opens his mind's eye to a picture of what any war means to the population of the countries concerned, a Russian sees all its horrors clearer than anyone else. In this respect the experience of the Russians is, unhappily, sharper, deeper and more complex than even that of Spaniards whose country was so recently in the ravages of civil war.

War in the eyes of Russians means not only millions killed and wounded but all the foundations of government crumpled. War in their experience is the gradual and terrifying dwindling of food, long, hopeless lines in front of provision stores, the absence of medicine and the simplest of household necessities, horrible epidemics, freezing rooms, a fall in morals, adoption of a state on depravity by the most self-respecting citizens, cheapness of human life well illustrated by the slogan "One life—one kopek."

Civil War Threat

After the World War Russians were immediately engulfed in the deadly chaos of Civil War. There is no doubt that the same fate awaits other nationalities as well in case of a new world war. Civil War and its attendant anarchy is an eternal fear, day and night, that someone will come for you, bring you out of your warm bed, take you to gaol, subject you to questions, torture you, hold you in a cell meant for 10 people and holding 4 or 5 times that amount. The horror of Civil War is that it is a nightmare of "small things." A man's personalism and "self" are ground under foot and destroyed. The result is a hopeless melancholy in some, and an inhuman fury and vengefulness in others. Thinking Russians do not believe that a new war would be a quick one, and a long war would bring to cultured Europe what Russia had to experience in the war of 1914-1918. It is easier to die in trenches at the front than to suffer through years of general depravity, when people live under a reign of senseless terror, suffer hunger and are killed by epidemics.

Certain anxiety in the political crisis in Europe was evidenced among Russians living in the French Concession when the French Government decreed that foreigners living in France and her colonies would be affected by the general mobilization in case of war. In this respect M. R. D'Auxion de Ruffé elucidated in an interview with the press that the French Concession is not regarded as a French Colony and that the new law does not, therefore, include its residents. M. D'Auxion de Ruffé expressed the opinion that should any local Russian emigré wish to join the French Army in a time of mobilization he would probably be accepted, and would in such case be undoubtedly given French citizenship.

In one respect local Russians are more fortunate than other Shanghai foreigners: from time to time they are able to attend plays written by local playwrights. Last Wednesday the Russian Club staged a play of the local writer and journalist, Mr. J. L. Miller, entitled "40 and 20." This play is similar to those written by Mme. L. Kniajevitch and Mme. K. V. Shendrikova in that it deals with life in this city. Through three acts the comedy gives a racy and original portrayal of a Russian boarding-house where people of widely different types, each concerned with the main topics that interest the Russian colony, live in amity that could not always be called complete. The central figure is a lady of 40 years who carries on a flirtation with a twenty-two year old graduate of a Polytechnical Institute. At the eleventh hour, however, she decides that it would be stupid to unite her life with his and puts a sudden end to their affair.

This being a comedy, the young engineer wastes no time in finding solace with a charming girl of more suitable age. Around this central theme many other tragicomedies shape their ends. There is, among others, a foreigner who has the name of Mr. Thompson and a Russian wife, neither of which deters him from lavishing affection on a dancing girl. The play is written pungently and wittily, and the audience continuously gave vent to appreciative laughter. It is probable that translated into English this play would amuse a cosmopolitan audience in no lesser a degree, as all three acts have a typically Shanghai background.

Tag Day Results

Free education to Russian girls between the ages of 8 and 15 has been initiated by the Shanghai Evangelists in their premises at 395 Rue Cardinal Mercier.

The Tag Day in benefit of St. Olga's Orphanage has given happy results. A hundred cups were put into circulation, and collected a total sum of $2,301.68.

The Russian Medical Society held one of their regular meetings last Friday. Dr. V. I. Yasinsky gave a demonstration of two rare cases, Mr. E. Martin did the same, while Dr. D. I. Kazakoff showed a film on the treatment of tuberculosis of the lungs.

April 18 was Radonitza—the day when the dead are remembered. Cemeteries were the meeting places of crowds of Russians, who carried out the old Russian custom in the face of rain. Commencing at 12.00 noon services were held at these cemeteries by priests, while at the Bubbling Well Cemetery Bishop John conducted a requiem service over the graves of Russian officers and men who died of wounds during the Russo-Japanese War. Relatives of the deceased attended requiem services in Russian churches throughout the day. Conserving time-honoured tradition many placed Easter eggs and kulichi on the graves, and later distributed them among the poor who, also conserving time-honoured tradition, came to the cemeteries in large numbers.

Last Saturday a programme of entertainment of the type made famous by Baliev's Moscow theatre "The Flying Mouse," was produced at the Russian Club by the actor Mr. A. Shumsky. Following this programme were solo numbers by Russian artistes and a seance by the psychometrist Dr. S. Bukenbinder.

Patriarch's Death

A sorrowful requiem service was held in the Russian Cathedral in memory of Patriarch Nicholas, "the Bishop of Bishops and the Judge of the Universe." Patriarch Nicholas, the news of whose death in Alexandria have just reached Shanghai, was the head of the Church in Greece and has done much for Russian emigration.

Yet another Russian businessman has left Shanghai to start life anew in the United States, in the person of Mr. L. G. Baranovsky, owner of one of the largest Russian firms in the city. Mr. Baranovsky decided to reside in the United States after a number of trips to New York and San Francisco. The firm of Baranovsky will continue to exist in Shanghai under the direction of Mrs. Baranovsky. Sailing with Mr. Baranovsky, who was widely known here for his social work, were his daughter and his son, Jack. In dep rting Mr. Baranovsky does not mean to sever his connection with the Russian colony.

Starting with Easter and continuing up to the fast that precedes the Days of St. Peter and St. Paul, the Red Hill season—the season of marriages—is now in full swing. Announcements sent to the Russian press of forthcoming weddings include names of foreigners wishing to marry Russian girls. All these marriages are registered by the Bishop's Chancellory.

Better Buildings

At a meeting held in the Jewish Club to elect the new Committee, Mr. M. S. Bloch was made President, Mr. G. M. Klebanoff, vice-President, Mr. J. L. Brick the Chairman of the Financial Committee, Mr. Podolsky, Chairman of the Entertainment and Catering Committee, Mr. Kagan, Honorary Treasurer and Mr. Feinlang, Honorary Secretary.

Young Russian engineers and architects who have graduated from the Harbin Polytechnical Institute have of recent years been actively engaged in the construction of the better class of buildings in this city. Nearly all apartment houses vieing in size and comfort have been built with the assistance of young Russians who studied in Harbin under Russian professors. Interested more in their work than in large profits, and content to start with the most lowly duties, Russian architects quickly earn the attention of their superiors with their knowledge and energy and advance in their work with laudable rapidity.

It has already been noted in these columns that Archbishop Nestor, who is well-known in Shanghai and in Harbin, has founded an Orthodox Mission in Ceylon. Archimandrit Naphanail, who is also well-known in Russian emigration, and who is the son of the former Minister of Education, Mr. V. N. Lvov, has been put at the head of this new mission. Father Naphanail has been met with attention and friendliness by the Anglican clergy, which is all the more valuable as the natives at first evinced an ill-hidden antagonism, reasoning that being a Russian he must be a bolshevik and therefore an enemy of religion.

Archbishop Nestor was presented with a plot of land for the church, but for a long time money was lacking to adorn the church's interior. Father Naphanail, however, met an aged and wealthy Singalese lady at the home of the new Anglican Bishop, the Very Rev. Cecil Hoare, and she presented him with a cheque for 300 rupees to beautify the church of the Orthodox Mission. Colombo has a small Russian colony and a number of well-to-do Greek businessmen. Father Napanail at first found it difficult to establish relations with the Greek community, but as soon as he conducted a service in the Greek language this difficulty was overcome. One prominent member of the Colombo Russian colony is Prof. S. P. Makletsoff, who is well-known both in Harbin, Tientsin and Hongkong.

Seventy Years Ago

FROM THE "NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS" OF APRIL 24, 1869

From Chinkiang:—On the night of the 21st instant; a large fire broke out in the northern suburb of this city. Fanned by the strong southeast breeze, it spread rapidly, licking up the flimsy buildings in a most alarming manner; and in less than three hours, 100 odd houses and "shanties" were level with the ground. With no effective fire engine, the flames took their own course, and they were only stopped from reaching the best part of the town, by the creek which leads to the Grand Canal. Unfortunate Chinkiang—no sooner do a few houses struggle up from admist the ruins, than they are devoured by an uncontrollable element. The new Canton Hoppo arrived here the week before last, from Peking, en route for his port, he went to Kiukiang per steamship; from thence he will travel overland to Canton. H. E. Cungli is a very young and intelligent man; he is only 35 years of age, and has merely a glass-button. We fancy the Canton gentry will be somewhat surprised at his low-rank, after being accustomed to see so many red-buttoned Mandarins occupying that office.

Lesson Sermon

First Church of Christ, Scientist.

Probation after death:—Is the subject of the Lesson Sermon read in all Churches of Christ Scientist, throughout the world on Sunday, April 23. Golden Text:—Psalms 23:4. "Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me." Among the citations which comprise the Lesson Sermon is the following from The Bible:—"Though I walk in the midst of trouble, thou wilt revive me: thou shalt stretch forth thine hand against the wrath of mine enemies, and thy right hand shall save me. The Lord will perfect that which concerneth me: thy mercy, O Lord, endureth for ever: forsake not the works of thine own hasds." (Psalms 138:7,8.).

The Lesson Sermon also includes the following passage from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy:—"Being is holiness, harmony, immortality. It is already proved that a knowledge of this, even in small degree, will uplift the physical and moral standard of mortals, will increase longevity, will purify and elevate character. Thus progress will finally destroy all error, and bring immortality to light."

Spain Frees Frenchmen

Paris, Apr. 23.

M. A. Anfossy, French Consul at Alicante and M. Charles Tillon, a French Communist Deputy, were recently freed by the Spanish authorities following pressing demarches by Marshal Petain with General Franco.

Mm. Anfossy and Tillon had been imprisoned shortly after the Nationalists' entry in Alicante about three weeks ago. All other Frenchmen detained in Spanish jails have been also liberated, but they will be repatriated within several days only since the Spanish authorities request a several days' delay to establish special passes.—Havas.

Italian Envoy Rewarded

Rome, Apr. 23.

The Italian Government issued a communique today announcing the appointment of Signor Francesco Jacomoni as Lieutenant-General of Albania. Signor Jacomoni formerly was Italian Ambassador to Albania and is understood to have laid much of the groundwork for the Italian invasion of Albania.—United Press.

WORLD RADIO

The following table shows the Shanghai times at which news is broadcast in the principal countries of the world, together with the wave-lengths and frequencies used. We shall be glad to receive comment or suggestions from listeners, which should be addressed or telephoned to the Radio Editor of the "North-China Daily News" (Tel. 11055). The times, given in the first column, are all between noon and midnight.

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P.M.	METRES	CYCLES
2.30, 4.45, 10.00	19.76	15.18
6.45, 9.50	16.84	17.81

Today's BBC Programme

1.00 "The City of London, talk
1.15 St. George's Day programme
2.15 "American Commentary," talk
2.30 News
3.15 Sports news and markets
8.05 Message to Scouts, Lord Somers
8.10 Symphony Concert
9.00 "For Sailors," Mercantile Marine programme
9.15 News
9.45 Sports news and markets
10.30 St. George's Day programme
12.00 News

PARIS

7.00	19.68	15.24

ROME

5.30, 9.30, 12.00	25.40	11.81
7.00	31.13	9.63

BERLIN

3.00	19.63/16.89	15.28/17.76
8.00, 10.00	31.45/19.63	9.54/15.28

SAN FRANCISCO

8.30, 10.30	31.48	9.53

MANILA

6.30, 11.00	31.36	9.57

MELBOURNE

5.15, 8.30 9.20	31.32	9.58

TOKYO

1.00, 2.00, 3.30 4.30, 10.00, 11.00	25.42	11.80

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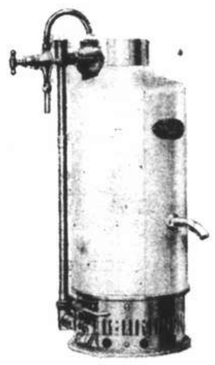

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WOMAN'S PAGE

A London Letter

By Olive Dun

London, Mar. 26.

"Who was the best dressed woman of the week of President and Mme Lebrun's visit?" asks the "Daily Telegraph" and discreetly leaves the question unanswered, though with a hint that Mrs. Chamberlain always looked remarkably well. Was this to atone for the critical way in which the "Telegraph's" leader-writer has been speaking of the Prime Minister? Another writer plumps for the Duchess of Kent. And yet another says "Really the Duchess of Kent should not be allowed to appear on these occasions, she puts everyone else so completely in the shade." Which is unkind but rather true.

But such a regal display of gowns and jewels can hardly ever have been seen in London before. It was a Field of the Cloth of Gold translated to English shores. A very lovely dress was that which the Queen wore at Covent Garden, a deeply-flounced crinoline of white covered with gold sequins. I never saw her look better.

She also chose white for the entertainment at the India Office, which was the most glittering show of the week. Magnolia trees and flowering shrubs lined the staircase, the pillars were hidden in climbing roses and the stage seemed to rise from a yew hedge in front of which were masses of white lilies, while a thousand rays of coloured light shot from the tiaras and jewels of the audience.

All the historic gems of the great families of the Kingdom had been fetched out of their safes. The effect was almost overwhelming, and beautiful as was the stage display, especially that by a number of girls each dressed to represent a French province, it was the audience that made the show.

Mme Lebrun was particularly popular wherever she went, and her frank delight in the glowing reception given her and the President by the London crowd was very nice to see. She did not attempt to rival the gorgeousness of the dresses about her, but in perfection of style and taste she was insurpassable. Say what one may, French women have some secret in choosing and putting on their clothes which no other nation can approach. It is like the inventiveness and harmonies of French cookery.

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Fat in the Fire

And in that connection Mrs. Tate, M.P. for Frome, has got herself into the hottest of waters by declaring in the House that cookery is not one of our national virtues and that English women are very ignorant about it. "That may be so in your class" roared the Socialists. To which Mrs. Tate replied calmly "It is so in 80 per cent of every class."

Of course she was interviewed afterwards, and this is what she said: "It seems that English women as a whole have no imagination and that they are lazy and ignorant when it comes to preparing food. In the average home or hotel what do you get? Roast beef or roast mutton, usually overdone, with watery gravy, badly-boiled potatoes and soggy cabbage. And for dessert prunes and custard or stodgy pudding. The cheese is usually dry and the biscuits are not crisp. Why, in some homes they can't even brew tea decently, never mind coffee."

The accusation is hard to answer. But in Mrs. Tate's constituency the women are up in arms. Somersetshire has always rather prided itself on its food. (You remember how John Ridd, when carrying off Lorna Doone from the Doone Valley where she has nearly been starved, wouldn't let her eat his mother's mincepie without a long sermon on how it was made) and the housewives of Frome are challenging Mrs. Tate to eat their dishes first and her words afterwards. If she doesn't at least do the latter, it will go hard with her at the next election.

The basis of Mrs. Tate's charge is, of course, lack of imagination, with which goes the wastefulness which is our besetting sin. "There's been more waste to their twopenny ship than there is to a liner," says Captain Davis in "The Ebb Tide." It is a truism that the best cook is the most economical. The amount of good material for tasty dishes thrown away daily in most of our homes would horrify a Frenchwoman.

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Queen Mary Works Hard

Pursuing her researches into the life of the nation Queen Mary this week has visited the market in the Lambeth Cut, watched a gangster film being shot at Denham and paid her 17th visit to a theatre in five weeks, besides being on hand at all the entertainments for M. and Mme Lebrun.

The Lambeth Cut market found that its business was suffering from the rival attractions of the Lambeth Walk, so it asked Queen Mary to come and see it in order to give it a boost. Promptly she accepted, drove slowly through the market, frequently stopping to admire the decorations, and accepted a bouquet from a little girl with a great mop of golden curls. "What wonderful hair," said her Majesty, "Where did you get it?" You cannot nonplus the Cockney urchin. "God gave it me," replied the infant. "Well, well," said Queen Mary, rather sobered, "I'm sure it's very nice."

At the Denham film studios Queen Mary spent two full hours seeing everything that was to be seen, At one point her escort suggested doubtfully that the stairs night be rather hard to climb. "I don't find it difficult if I'm interested," she replied and went up like a lamp-lighter. She suggested to Valerie Hobson that her hat was on very crooked and was told that it had to be worn so for continuity as it had been knocked over one eye in the previous scene. Then she sat down to watch the shooting. Orders were given for business as usual. But the actors were nervous with her Majesty so close and fluffed their lines, so the scene had to be done again.

The next thing we shall hear of will be Queen Mary kicking off at a football match.

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Light of Other Days

Veterans of the gay nineties will hear with real regret of the death of Louie Freear, the famous "little slavey" of those spacious days. She started her public life at the age of five in Lord George Sanger's circus, and taking to the theatre later on specialized in the down-trodden maid of all work type. This gave her her first great hit in "The Gay Parisienne," with the song "Sister Mary Jane's Top-note," which simply ran all through England, though, in fact, except as she sang it, it was a very ordinary piece of fustian.

Then came "A Chinese Honeymoon" for 800 consecutive performances and Louie Freear the big noise in them all. Tree engaged her to play Puck in his production of "A Midsummer Night's Dream" in which she showed that she had plenty of versatility. At one time she was being paid £200 a week, but few theatrical stars ever keep their money and Louie Freear was no exception. However, she married in 1912 a commercial travellar named Shepherd and ended her life comfortably enough in a modest flat in Bloomsbury. She was 63.

She was critical of the modern comedy stage—"All acrobatics and nakedness, some of the shows simply disgust me," she said, "In my time we had to attract by talent or not at all." Well, it may be remembered that in "The Gay Parisienne" the chorus appearing in one scene as bicyclists in knickerbockers and stout stockings caused quite a sensation.

So Louis Freear's strictures are not surprising. How much we have gained by the all round liberties of today is an interesting question. But with all their restrictions, the nineties were certainly gayer in many things than we are now.

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Royal Academy in Action

To morrow the selection committee of the Royal Academy begins its brutal work and thousands of young hopefuls who have been bringing in their canvases will fling away furiously, with bitter jibes at Burlington House, to join surrealist clubs in Pimlico. Yet there might be some sympathy for the Hanging Committee too. They sit for 10 days and in that time have to inspect between 13,000 and 14,000 offerings. If they work seven hours a day, that means some 200 pictures an hour. The miracle is that after a day or two they have the wit to select anything at all. One thinks of Berlioz's story of the piano on which examination candidates of the Conservatoire had been playing the same test piece all day, and in the night the piano went on playing the same piece automatically.

Dame Laura Knight's picture should be interesting. It is the largest she has ever painted depicting all the activities of the countryside, and she has been at work on it for some years. The portraits of the King and Queen are by Gerald Kelly, and that of Queen Mary by Simon Elwes. Frank Salisbury will show his picture of the Coronation luncheon at the Guildhall which Lord Wakefield is presenting to the City. These huge canvases of innumerable figures are his speciality, but he says that this one has given him more trouble than any he has ever done, though all the principal people gave him sittings. Sir Edwin Lutyens is showing his designs for the National Shakespeare Memorial Theatre in South Kensington. These should be interesting as it will be the only theatre in London which, standing on an island site, will be able to be looked at all round.

One hears that portraits are likely to predominate this year. The explanation is easy. Even a moderate painter can get enough orders for portraits to keep the wolf from the door. But landscapes, especially as so often painted nowadays, are sticky to sell.

"Man All Gathering"

Such as the Ratepayers' Meeting? This woodcarving by William Steig, exhibited recently in New York, should embolden all discouraged artists to go boldly forward, whatever their friends are saying to them.

"The Sleeping Beauty"

Fairy Tale Told by the Ballet

That most fascinating ballet, "The Sleeping Beauty," based on the old legend and in which appear many personages of the fairy tales, is of exceptional interest to children. The artistic combination of beautiful symphony music, exquisite dancing intermingled with miming and acting, is of great entertaining and educational value. The appearance of the very youthful ballerinas, Joy Blackwood as Little Red Riding Hood and Nevskaya as the Little Tom Thumb will undoubtedly enchant the young.

Children will be admitted to the matinee performance on Sunday, May 7, at reduced prices. Parents should not miss this opportunity for their children to enjoy an artistic entertainment, "with a difference."

A. A. U. W.

The annual meeting of the American Association of University Women will be held on Thursday next, April 27, at the home of Mrs. R. E. O'Bolger, 168 Boute Ghisi. The meeting will begin at 3 p.m. with sewing for the refugees. At 4 p.m. tea will be served, and this will be followed by business procedure and the election of officers for the ensuing year. With the conclusion of business Mrs. G. A. Carver, of the University of Shanghai, will speak on "Recent American Drama."

B. W. A.

Monday, Apr. 24.—Badminton. Social Service Board 9.45 a.m. Needlecraft Section at 753 Yu Yuen Road, Flat 7-A, 2 p.m.
Tuesday, Apr. 25.—Hospital Aid Department 9 to noon. Reception Committee 11 a.m.
Wednesday, Apr. 26.—Badminton. Executive Committee Meeting 9.45 a.m. Sports Section bridge and mahjongg tea 3 p.m.
Saturday, Apr. 29.—Needlecraft Section sale of work 9 to noon.

Members are reminded of the bridge and mahjongg tea on May 4 in aid of House Committee Funds. It is hoped that everyone will do their best to make it a success.

The Social Service Board are holding a jumble sale and are appealing for articles for the sale. Anything and everything will be welcome, and members and friends may send their parcels to the office or they will be called for if necessary.

The Needlecraft Section ask everyone to remember their sale of work at Headquarters on Saturday morning, April 29, and all day on May 1.

A paste of oatmeal and kerosene rubbed well into the hands and fingers will remove almost any stain. Rinse first in cold water and then in hot to remove the smell of kerosene.

Countess Ciano and Her Children

Countess Galeazzo Ciano, daughter of Il Duce, is pictured with her children, Fabrizio (who was born in the old Italian Consulate in Shanghai), Raimondo and Mazzio-Bruno. These grandchildren are said to be Signor Mussolini's favourites. Countess Ciano, in conjunction with her duties as a mother, takes a prominent part in the political affairs of her country.

The Outdoor Vivarium

A Fascinating Hobby

The indoor aquarium has a rival in popularity. An outdoor vivarium needs still less attention; it may claim but a few feet of the town garden or give purpose to an untamed quarter-acre in the country; its occupants, land and water creatures, offer all that is sought on any stage—beauty, humour, mystery, the grotesque, even, to the close observer, melodrama.

The enclosure may be fenced with very small-meshed wire netting, the bottom edge of which is buried, the top turned inward to prevent escape by climbing. Still more satisfactory is a shallow pit bounded by a low wall with an over-hanging edge. Within, a miniature landscape is built up with rocks and mounds, an old tree-stump perhaps, and flowering plants including damp-lovers such as rushes and marsh marigolds. Water there must be for reptiles and insects which naturally live near it, even if only a sunk tub.

A Tiny Zoo

The parts of elephant and hippo are played, in this small-scale zoo, by land and water tortoises. We all know the Greek land tortoise, so often foisted on amateur gardeners as an eater of slugs only. His cousin, the water tortoise, and the more graceful green terrapin take their meals in the water, with entertaining antics.

The Duke of Wellington had a pet common toad; the vivarium owner is better off, with mottle-liveried frogs, the posturing "fire-bellied" toad, and the truly sweet-voiced bell toad. Salamanders and emerald and brown lizards laze, or pile up mileage in the sunny patches.

Desirable smaller tenants are crested newts, ornamental snails, beetles which move like quicksilver and gleam like opals, and strangely constructed insects whose equipments for travelling in or on water are the envy of marine engineers.

Every one who remembers being young will realize what a lasting joy a vivarium is to children. Long after nursery bed-time, if flood-lit, it continues to be a novel little show for guests—the frogs, for example, are then at their liveliest.

The only routine work is regular feeding with lettuces, bloodworms, and other natural or prepared foods. At week-ends a vivarium will look after itself. In winter water tortoises and frogs hibernate in the pond, the land-lubbers, in heaps of dry leaves, moss and stones protected from the weather.

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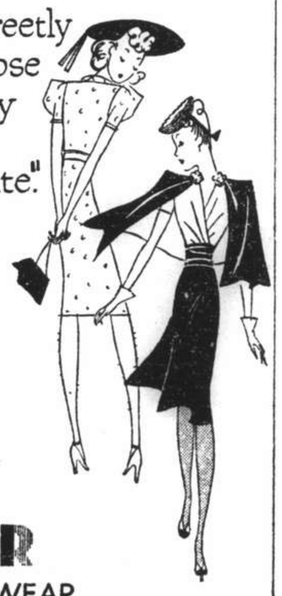

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THE SPORTS PAGE

Wolves Strongest Favourites Since World War

Portsmouth's Five-Year Plan May Succeed This Year in F. A. Cup Final on Saturday

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Apr. 10.

WOLVERHAMPTON Wanderers, who must be the hottest favourites since the War, will meet Portsmouth in the F. A. Cup Final at Wembley Stadium on April 29. Thus, the two leading clubs in the country, who are receiving the much discussed glandular therapy treatment, will be in opposition for the most coveted trophy of the English football season.

Wolverhampton, apart from trying to win the Cup, are endeavouring to finish the season as Champions of the First Division, a feat which has only been accomplished twice. The two clubs who have carried off the "double event" of League Champions and Cup-winners in the same year are Preston North End in 1888-89 and Aston Villa 1896-97.

Portsmouth, on the other hand, are in the danger zone at the bottom of the First Division table and they also have some vital League matches before the big game at Wembley.

Portsmouth have yet to win the Cup, although this will be their third appearance in the Final at Wembley, while Wolverhampton have appeared in five finals—none of them at Wembley—and won the trophy twice.

Previous Finals

Portsmouth appear to have a five-year plan, for they reached the final in 1929 and 1934. In 1929 they were beaten by Bolton Wanderers by two clear goals and in 1934 they lost to Manchester City by the odd goal of three. Now they are hoping that the third time will be lucky.

Wolverhampton's last Cup Final was at Stamford Bridge in 1921, when Jimmy Dimmock's goal gave Tottenham Hotspur a 1-0 victory. They won the precious trophy in 1908, beating Newcastle United by three goals to one at Crystal Palace, and in 1893, when Everton were their victims by one goal to nothing at Fallowfield, Manchester.

Their other exploits in the Final were in 1889 and 1896. Preston North End beat them in 1889 by three clear goals at Kennington Oval, and so carried off the "double" which the Wolves themselves are now after, while in 1896 they lost 2-1 to Sheffield Wednesday at Crystal Palace.

The actual Cup is not very valuable, but it is the honour that goes with it that makes thousands of clubs throughout the country fight for it nearly all the season. Admittedly the League clubs do not come into the competition until late but the struggle begins with the preliminary rounds almost at the start of the season.

History of The Cup

The F. A. Challenge Cup—that is its official name—was established on October 16, 1871. The Challenge Cup—as it was then called—secured fifteen entries for the opening competition, but their titles make unfamiliar reading to the present generation compared with those of the professional clubs now known throughout the World.

The first name in the long list of winners is that of the Wanderers who again won in three successive seasons in 1876, 1877 and 1878, a performance which has only be equalled by Blackburn Rovers.

By winning the Cup in 1878 for the third time in succession, the Wanderers became holders of the trophy, but they handed it back to the Committee on the condition that in future it was not to be won outright by any club.

The original Cup was stolen from a tradesman's window, where it was on display, in 1895, the year when Aston Villa won it, and it was never recovered.

Another Cup was then put up and this was presented to the late Lord Kinnaird, on the completion of his twenty-one years service as President of the Football Association.

That now held each year by the winners is the third Cup and was won for the first time in 1911 by Bradford City, which was fitting to the occasion, for the Cup was made in Bradford.

By the rules of the F.A. it cannot be won outright. The final of 1883-84 rang down the curtain on the Challenge Cup Competition as a purely amateur affair. Blackburn Olympic who beat Old Etonians on that historic occasion made football history as the last amateur team to win the Trophy.

Attack *v.* Defence

At Wembley on April 29, Portsmouth will be up against what is regarded as the youngest and speediest forward lines in the country, but in the Cup this season Pompey's defence has been in fine form, as can been see by the fact that Huddersfield's goal in the semi-final was the first against them in the competition this season.

Westcott, the Wolverhampton centre-fordward who has been freely tipped for an English "cap," is the man Portsmouth will have to keep their eyes on. He scored four of his side's five goals against Grimsby Town in the semi-final and altogether in this season's competition he has netted eleven times in five matches.

Wolverhampton, however, are favourites more on their fine League record than on their performances in the Cup. Portsmouth have just as good a record, their victims including the Cup holders, Preston North End, and last year's beaten finalists, Huddersfield Town, while Wolverhampton's best performance was in beating Everton in the sixth round.

Both teams have been rather lucky in the draw this season, for the semi-finals were the first matches either had played away from home in this year's competition.

Against Former Colleagues

Maj. Frank Buckley, of Wolverhampton Wanderers, and Mr. Jack Tinn, of Portsmouth, the respective managers of the clubs, are great friends. They have helped one another in the past, and two former Wolverhampton players in Wharton, the left-half, and Barlow, the inside-left, will play against their old colleagues in the Final.

The signing of Wharton, from Wolverhampton, did much to save Portsmouth from relegation last season and Barlow, playing in his first Cup tie for Portsmouth, helped them into the Final.

In the semi-final at Highbury, Portsmouth beat Huddersfield by means of a great rally in the last twelve minutes, during which they scored twice. Barlow, who was only transferred from the Wolves recently, got an equalising goal with a magnificent shot that repaid the £6,000 he cost Portsmouth, while Anderson, Portsmouth's top scorer in the Cup this season, obtained the winner seven minutes from the end.

By the score of five clear goals it appears as if Wolverhampton had a walk-over against Grimsby Town, but this was not the case. Grimsby had just as much of the play for the first twenty minutes, but then Moulson, who had never before played in a Cup or League game for the Lincolnshire club, and who was taking the place of the injured English International, Tweedy, in goal, dived at the feet of Dorsett in making his first save in the match, and received concussion. He did not take any further part in the match and Hodgson, the left back, went between the posts. This meant that Grimsby's defence was weakened and from that time onwards Wolverhampton had things much their own way.

Special Training

It is possible that Portsmouth will go into special training for the Final at Bognor Regis, the seaside town in Sussex, where they have prepared for their other Cup matches this season, but the Wolves might break all traditions by not leaving Wolverhampton until the morning of the match, as they did for their semi-final.

The reason is that Maj. Buckley does not believe in special training for his players. He says that he looks upon all games, whether they are Cup Finals or not, as a mere job of work.

He adds "There has been too much 'special training' rubbish in football in the past. I don't believe in it. The psychological effect on players who are suddenly shot from their homes and their ordinary way of living, into hotels and on to golf courses must be bad.

"Every effort should be expended towards making them think that any Cup tie is just an ordinary match. If I thought a week at the seaside would benefit my players, you can take it from me they would have it. But I don't, and I find that the players agree with me."

100,000 To See Match

A new point about this season's Cup Final is that 100,000 people will see the match instead of the usual 93,000. The two finalists will each receive more tickets than any previous clubs who have been in the Final.

They will each get one-third of the extra seats available under the reconstruction plan carried out this year. There are nearly 8,000 extra seats, so that Wolves and Portsmouth will get about 12,300 tickets instead of 10,000 which has been the highest quota for finalists to date.

The other third will go to "the county associations whose membership warrants an additional allotment."

The Cup-ties have set up a new record in attendances this year. From the first round proper, up to and including the semi-finals, there have been six more games played than last season's total of 145, but the aggregate attendance has been 3,425,695, against last year's record figures of 3,313,917.

In cash this season £233,560 has been taken, but this does not quite reach last year's total, when the figure was £234,113. With the extra accommodation at Wembley, however, there will be two new records.

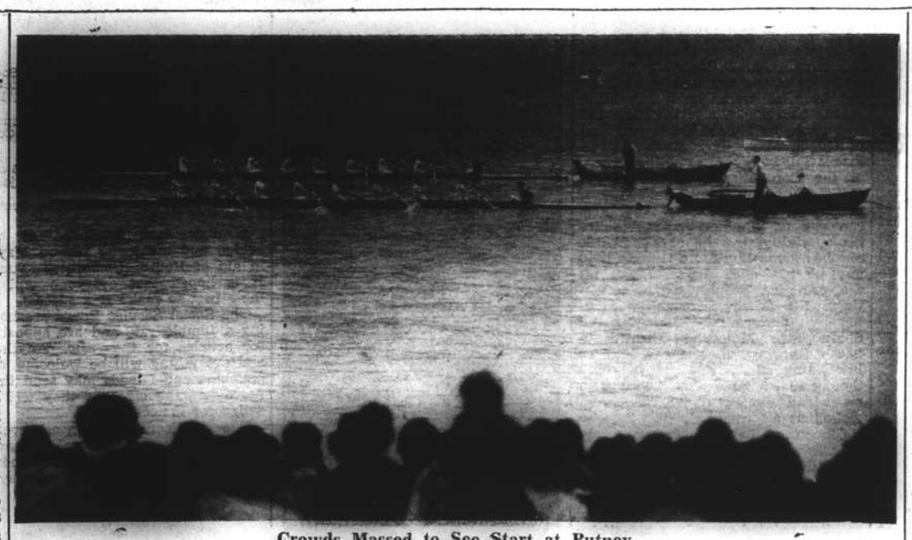
RUGBY LEAGUE RESULTS

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Apr. 22.

Following are results of matches in the Rugby League played today:—

Castleford 16, Bradford N. 5
Featherstone R. 9, Batley 5
Dewsbury 8, Broughton R. 21
Hull 11, Oldham 5
Keighley 11, Bramley 8
Leeds 8, Hull Kingston R. 12
Liverpool Stanley 18, Leigh 0
Salford 31, Halifax 13
St. Helens Recs. 17, York 10
Swinton 16, Hunslet 0
Wakefield Trinity 15, Barrow 6
Warrington 7, St. Helens 8
Wigan 18, Widnes 7.—Reuter.



Crowds Massed to See Start at Putney

Both sides of the river were massed with spectators when the signal was given for the start of the Boat Race. The winning Cambridge boat is nearest the camera. It took the lead at once and refused to relinquish an inch over the entire course to Mortlake.

Shanghai Wheelers Vie for Honours

Captain of Club Captures Cup Presented by Brig.-Gen. Macnaghten

The Shanghai Wheelers third annual and final meeting for the Torpedo and Brampton Cups were run off successfully yesterday morning at Kiaochow Park before a big crowd of spectators. Freddie Kwei, of the Public and Thomas Hanbury School, became the possessor of the Torpedo Cup while Miss Anita Chang captured the Brampton Cup as a result of having each amassed the greatest number of points during the past three meetings commencing from 1937.

The Police Cup, presented to the runner-up among senior boys, was won by B. L. Raymond Ting while the Zee Ching-loong Cup fell to Miss Miranda Cheng, second best cyclist among senior girls.

Cycling has had a long history in Shanghai, according to Mr. Kyat Tong, president of the Shanghai Wheelers. To Mr. Tong's knowledge, people in this city enjoyed bicycle riding as early as 1902. In those days only bicycles for ladies could be obtained. He remembered that Dr. W. W. Yen, well-known Chinese diplomat, was the first one to own a man's bicycle.

The most interesting event on yesterday's programme was the Old Timers' Half-mile Handicap for members over 40 years of age. A. L. Biggs lived up to his position as captain of the Shanghai Wheelers by coming home first to win the handsome cup presented by Brig.-Gen. E. B. Macnaghten. He led his nearest rival, Mr. Percy Kwok, one of the most popular members in the club, by several lengths in the time of 1 minute and 48.3 seconds.

E. J. Berthet came in third amidst loud applause. William Hunter, a 65-year-old rider, also received a big hand from the spectators as he took fourth place.

Biggs, Hunter, together with Kyat Tong and Tom Beasley, are the only four local members who are associated with the National Cycle Union of Great Britain.

The Junior Half-mile Handicap for girls was won by Miss T. M. Wong, who received the Outhwaite Cup. Miss W. Y. Chow was second and Miss T. C. Liu third.

Girls' Event

E. Bickel captured the boys' race and likewise was presented with an Outhwaite Cup. His time was 1 minute 46.1 seconds. Second and third places were taken by K. W. Chang and T. L. Tong, respectively.

The Zee Memorial Trophy one-mile for senior girls attracted 24 entrants and three heats were held before the final took place. Miss S. F. Hsu emerged victorious in 3 minutes 46.2 seconds.

½ Mile Handicap for boys under 13 years.—1, E. Bickel; 2, K. W. Chang; 3, T. L. Tong. Time:—1 min. 46.1 secs.

½ Mile Handicap for girls under 13 years.—1, Miss T. M. Wong; 2, Miss W. Y. Chow; 3, Miss T. C. Liu.

1 Mile Zee Trophy for senior boys.—1, Freddie Kwei; 2, C. Y. Kwok; 3, S. T. Wong. Time:—2 min. 56.4 secs.

1 Mile Zee Trophy for senior girls.—1, Miss S. F. Hsu; 2, Miss Kayo Zee; 3, Miss Anita Chang. Time:—3 min. 46.2 secs.

Old Timers ½ Mile Handicap for members over 40 years old.—1, A. L. Biggs; 2, Percy Kwok; 3, E. J. Berthet; 4, William Hunter. Time:—1 min. 48.3 secs.

Torpedo Cup won by Freddie Kwei.

Police Cup won by B. L. Raymond Tong.

Brampton Cup won by Miss Anita Chang.

Ching Loong Zee Cup won by Miss Miranda Cheng.

Huge Throng Sees Clyde Win

100,000 Watch Motherwell Succumb by 4-Nil in Final Round of Scottish Cup at Hampden Park

Hampden Park, Glasgow, Apr. 22.

BEFORE a crowd of over 100,000, Clyde won the Scottish Cup for the first time by beating Motherwell 4-nil in the final played here today in cool and sunny weather. Clyde led by 1-0 in the first half, in which Motherwell missed a couple of good chances for scoring, through a goal scored in the 30th minute. Five minutes after interval, with Motherwell appealing for offside, Clyde shot the second goal. Motherwell attacked strongly and cleverly held command of the play for a long period, but failed to score. Then Clyde scored twice in the last five minutes to win by the comfortable margin of 4-nil.

Winning the toss and electing to play with the wind, Motherwell launched a fierce attack in the first minute and Mathie tested the Clyde goal-keeper, Brown, who saved.

Clyde retaliated and Murray, the Motherwell custodian, had to punch a high shot from Noble over the bar.

Motherwell had a couple of chances to score, but Brown saved. The Clyde goalie again came into the limelight when he stopped a low shot from Bremner, off a corner.

Stout Clyde Defence

After a period of even play, the Clyde defence was severely tested, but managed to turn back Motherwell.

In the 30th minute, Clyde, making a sudden counter-attack, scored when Wallace sent a shot high into the net. At half-time, Clyde led by 1-0.

Clyde, helped by the strong wind, scored the second goal five minutes after the interval, when Martin netted, with Motherwell appealing for offside.

Although they attacked strongly for a long period, Motherwell could not score.

Five minutes from the end, Clyde, making a splendid rally, swept down the field to score in successive attacks through Noble and Martin.—Reuter.

Everton Wins First Division Title

London, Apr. 22.

Everton, despite losing by 2-1 to Charlton Athletic today when playing away, won the first division championship, owing to the failure of Wolverhampton to win against the Bolton Wanderers. The result of the latter match was a 0-0 draw.—Reuter.

Gymkhana Held by Club Hippique

Marks Official Opening Of New Premises

BY "THE CHASER"

Yesterday's gymkhana held in the new paddock of the Club Hippique International on Hunjao Road marked the official opening of the Club's new premises. A fair crowd was in attendance and the only two events of importance were the open jumping event and the mixed pair jumping. In the first event H. D. Rodger chalked up three faults on Noknok and only just managed to beat Mrs. Watkin-Williams on Paddy and Mrs. Johnston on Patrick who tied for second place. Miss Andrews was next on Escapade with twelve faults. Fifteen riders competed in the event.

Mrs. W. R. Johnston and G. Widmer were the best of the four pairs that competed in the Mixed Pair Jumping event. Mrs. Johnston rode Patrick while Widmer was on Chiki.

Bishop Auckland Wins F.A. Amateur Cup

Sunderland, Apr. 22.

In the final of the Football Association Amateur Cup, Bishop Auckland beat Willington by 3-0 after extra time play.—Reuter.

U.S. Army Beats Polo Team from Singapore

Manila, Apr. 23.

The United States Army's Department Headquarters polo team today defeated the Twenty-sixth Royal Artillery from Singapore, 7-2, in the first of a series of three games.

Each team had an eight goal handicap.

The visitors from Singapore are matched Wednesday against the Manila Polo Club's "Calatagans."—United Press.

Joe E. Brown's first starring role for Columbia, under his recently signed two year contract, will be "Spook House," based on a stage play by Ricard Flournoy, noted playwright and scenarist.

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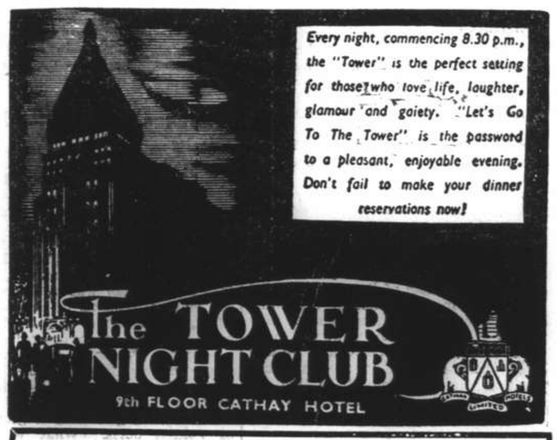

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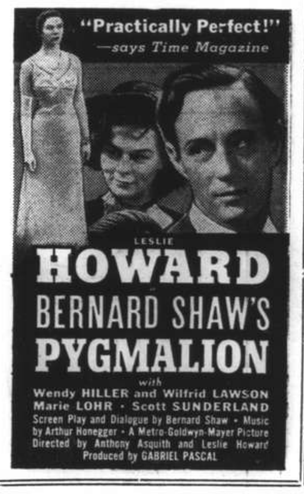

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Great Triumph for Cambridge

How Light Blues Confounded Critics in Boat Race; Oxford Merely Went From Putney to Mortlake

ROWING with magnificent life and dash the Cambridge University crew won the 91st Boat Race, defeating Oxford University by four lengths. It was a great triumph for Cambridge, for few of the critics expected them to win. They won, however, on their merits. The Boat Race of 1939 might, in fact, be summed up by saying that Cambridge won the Boat Race whilst Oxford went from Putney to Mortlake. It could hardly be described as a "race," for Oxford made no effort to "race" and the further they went the more they fell behind, says the London "Observer".

The victory brings the total of Cambridge wins to 48, whilst Oxford have won on 42 occasions, one other race, in 1877, resulting in a dead-heat. Oxford had won in 1937 and 1938 and were confidently expected to gain their third consecutive victory, but Cambridge had very different ideas and they soon proceeded to put them into practice.

With the wind blowing from an easterly direction the conditions for the race were extremely fast, and at no point over the four-and-a-quarter-mile course did the crews meet any rough water. Owing to the late start—the two Presidents wished to go earlier than 11 o'clock, but the Port of London Authority objected—the crews missed the best of the tide, but it was running stronger than was expected, and this undoubtedly accounted for the fast time of 19 min. 3 sec., in which Cambridge completed the course. That time has only been beaten five times in the long history of the race—in 1934, when Cambridge set up the record of 18 min. 3 sec.; in 1911, when Oxford returned 18 min. 29 sec.; in 1924, when Cambridge did 18 min. 41 sec.; in 1893, when Oxford did 18 min. 47 sec.; and in 1900, when Cambridge also recorded that time.

The Race at a Glance

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Hammersmith Bridge	7 12	7 20	Cam. 2
Chiswick Steps	11 30	11 41	Cam. 2¾
Barnes Bridge	15 50	16 02	Cam. 3
Mortlake	19 03	19 17	Cam. 4

J. L. Garton, the Oxford president, won the toss from A. Burrough, the Cambridge president, and he at once selected the Middlesex station. There was not a particularly large crowd at Putney, when Cambridge, as challengers, brought out their boat at 10.43 a.m. They were followed five minutes later by Oxford, and both crews paddled quietly down river to below Putney Bridge. It was rather significant, in view of later events, that just as Oxford were turning, Cambridge should, literally "under their rivals' noses," row a start, as if to say "we will show them what we can do."

Start to Finish

It was very hazy on the river owing to the sun having failed to pierce the clouds when, at 11.1 a.m., Mr. W. Rathbone, who was in the Oxford crews of 1926-1927, and who was acting as umpire and starter, got the crews away. Cambridge were quicker off the mark, and they got in their second stroke before Oxford, so that they soon had a lead of a few inches. This lead they quickly increased, Sanford rowing 10, 19, 38 strokes in the first quarter, half, and full minute to 9½, 18½, 36 by Bingham, in the Oxford boat. At the end of a minute Cambridge led by half a length, and with Massey taking his crew out of the tide over towards the Middlesex shore, Cambridge increased their lead in the second minute, when they rowed 34 to 32 by Oxford.

Cambridge were three-quarters of a length ahead at the end of the second minute, and the race was all over, for Oxford made no attempt to spurt after them. Cambridge reached Craven Steps in 3 min. 7 sec., and were then clear of their rivals. Massey then made the daring experiment of going out of the tide across the flats off Fulham football ground. The experiment might have succeeded had Oxford tried a spurt then, but no, Bingham had dropped his rate to 30, and he made no attempt to raise it, so that by the Mile Post, which Cambridge reached in 3 min. 54 sec., Oxford were a length and a half behind. With the outside of the long bend at Hammersmith before them, it was essential, if they wished to make a race of it, for Oxford to try a spurt off Crabtree, but Bingham made no effort to raise the stroke, keeping them going at 30.

Sanford, on the other hand, was rowing at thirty-two, enabling Cambridge to come right out at Harrods into what should have been Oxford's station, so that when the crews came in sight of Hammersmith Bridge, Oxford were immediately behind Cambridge, who were rowing magnificently. At the Bridge, reached by Cambridge in 7 min. 12 sec., Oxford were two lengths behind and, with Cambridge keeping well out from the Surrey shore, it was realized that Oxford needed a superhuman effort, if they were to be close enough above Chiswick Steps to prevent Cambridge crossing the river in front of them.

A Lifeless Plod

Spurts were again necessary for Oxford but they were not forthcoming, the crew continuing to plod away lifelessly at thirty, whilst Cambridge rowed with great ease at twenty-nine and, without increasing their rate of striking, they gradually increased the gap between the crews going up Chiswick Eyot, so that when they reached Chiswick Steps in 11 min. 30 sec., Cambridge were two and three-quarter lengths ahead and were able to cross the river to the Middlesex shore, near Griffin Brewery, without any difficulty. The water conditions were excellent in Corney Reach, but the Cambridge crew were going so splendidly and allowing their boat to run so well between the strokes that Sanford found it unnecessary to raise the rate above twenty-nine whilst Oxford, who had lost much of their steadiness and their length, were still rowing at thirty.

At Barnes Bridge, reached in 15 min. 15 sec., Cambridge were three lengths ahead, and then only for the first time in the race did Bingham attempt to raise his rate. Above Barnes he increased it to thirty-two, but the rowing lacked drive and the big men in the middle of the boat were very, very tired. Sanford replied at thirty-two, and Cambridge gradually forged further ahead. Approaching the Winning Post at Mortlake, where Mr. C. W. Kent, the Oxford Blue, acted as distance judge, Sanford worked up the rate splendidly, and he received an instant response from his crew. Off Mortlake Brewery he was rowing thirty-four, and he finished with a great burst at thirty-six to reach the Winning Post in the very fast time of 19 min. 3 sec., four lengths ahead of a very tired Oxford crew, who finished at thirty-three.

A Tame Ending

So ended one of the tamest Boat Races for many years. It reminded one of the occasion a few years ago when A. V. Sutcliffe, who was stroking Oxford, allowed Cambridge to slip him at the start, and he afterwards made no effort to race them. Why Bingham adopted the same tactics yesterday will for ever remain a mystery. He must have seen the Cambridge boat gradually disappearing from his view in the first two minutes, and yet he made no attempt to spurt. An elaborate arrangement of bells and buzzers had been fitted into the Oxford boat and a secret code of signals decided upon, but they were never brought into operation yesterday, or if they were, they were not acted upon, so that all the work of the Boatman was in vain.

Oxford's poor form yesterday came as a great surprise, for throughout practice their peformances had been better than that of their rivals. In each of the full-course trials which the crews rowed, Oxford's times were always better than those of Cambridge, but yesterday the crew rowed in a manner very similar to that which they showed in a Bridges trial last Wednesday, and the question will arise, "Did Oxford make a mistake in dropping R.M.A. Bourne last Saturday?" Bourne was presumably dropped because he was unable to get the crew to spurt, but judging from yesterday's display this could not have been the fault of Bourne, but rather that the men behind him would not respond.

Forbes rowed very hard throughout yesterday's race, but Waldron and Burnell scarcely gave Bingham the support expected, and Burnell was hardly swinging at all over the second part of the course. Doubts had always existed of the wisdom of putting him in such an important position in the middle of the boat, and it seems now that a mistake was made in not persevering with J. S. Stockton, a member of the Trinity College Head of the River crew, who was outstanding in the Trial Eights last November. Stewart, as always, rowed a hard race throughout, as also did Huse, but the President was a long way below his best.

Difficulties Overcome

As to the winners, great credit must be given to A. Burrough, the President, for having produced such a good crew in face of numerous difficulties, of style, illness, etc. Sanford, the old Etonian, stroked the crew magnificently. He excelled anything he had revealed in practice by the manner in which he took the crew off from the stake-boat and he practically won the race in the first ten strokes. He then saw that the Oxford boat was steadily dropping back, but he did not let his rate decrease until he had taken his crew clear of their opponents. Then, with the moral advantage of being able always to see Oxford toiling behind, he allowed his men to take a breather. In practice the Cambridge crew had been accused of lack of length, but yesterday they were far longer in the water than were their opponents and not once throughout the race did they lose their form or become ragged.

Buxton, an Eton Freshman, and Turnbull, the Australian, gave Sanford the maximum of support, and the latter greatly added to the splendid reputation which he had gained as a member of the British crew which won the Empire Eights in Australia in the spring of last year, and also of the Leander Stewards' Cup four at Henley last July. Burrough, the President, who had rowed in two losing crews, achieved his ambition of rowing in a winning one, and he rowed throughout in great style.

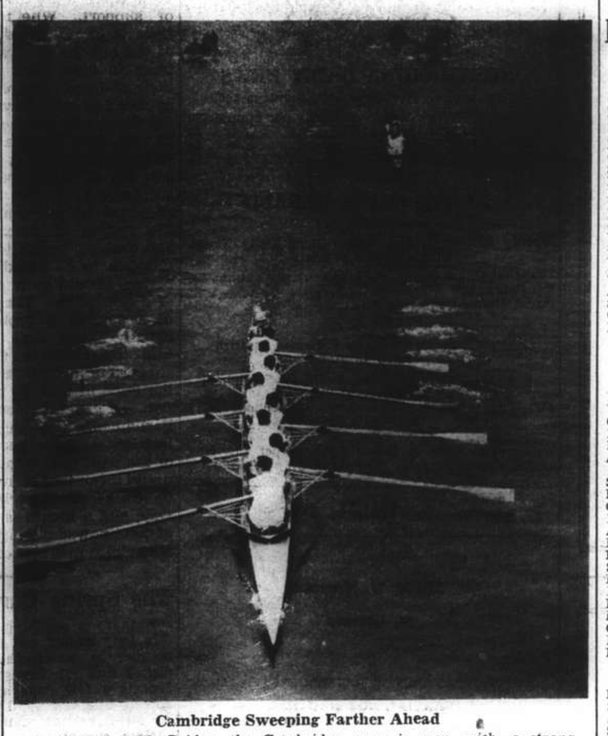
Not a little of the credit of the Cambridge victory must be accorded to their Coaches. In the course of the long training from January last, the crew had passed through the hands of Mr. J. H. Page, the rowing master of St. Paul's School; Mr. H. C. Boardman; Rev. J. N. Duckworth; Mr. J. R. F. Best, and Mr. D. H. Mays Smith. The last named had the crew for the final period on the Tideway, and he brought them along splendidly. Many thought that Cambridge had not done sufficient work since their arrival on the Tideway, but the result shows that Mr. Mays Smith brought them to the post in perfect condition.

Oxford, on the other hand, have been worked extremely hard on the Tideway by Mr. G. O. Nickalls, and they rowed yesterday as a very tired crew, so that perhaps mileage does not always make champions, as a famouse oarsman once said.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY

	st.	lb.
G. Huse (Oriel) (Bow)	12	7
*J. L. Garton (Magdalen)	11	10
A. G. Slemeck (St. Edmund Hall)	13	0
*R. R. Stewart (Magdalen)	13	3
R. D. Burnell (Magdalen)	14	1
*F. A. I. Waldron (Trinity)	14	1
*H. A. W. Forbes (Magdalen)	13	5
J. R. Bingham (Pembroke) (Stoke)	10	13
H. P. V. Massey (Balliol) (Cox)	5	1
CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY		
C. N. C. Addison (Pembroke) (Bow)	12	3
*A. M. Turner (Corpus Christi)	12	3
*A. Burrough (Jesus)	12	5
*J. J. A. Savill (Jesus College)	13	1
H. Parker (Trinity Hall)	13	0
J. Turnbull (Clare)	13	8
M. Buxton (Third Trinity)	13	0
C. B. Sanford (Trinity Hall) (Stroke)	12	0
H. T. Smith (Magdalene) (Cox)	8	8

*—An old Blue.



Cambridge Sweeping Farther Ahead

At Hammersmith Bridge, the Cambridge crew is seen with a strong lead over Oxford and increasing the gap steadily. The Light Blues won this Boat Race by four lengths.

Warneke Pitches to 9-0 Victory

Lanky Cardinal Defeats Former Team-mates with Great Display

New York, Apr. 22.

Lanky Lonnie Warneke, one-time pitching star of the Chicago Cubs, handed his former team-mates their first beating of the 1939 baseball season today. Yielding only four hits to the National League champions, Warneke pitched the St. Louis Cardinals to a 9-0 victory. In addition to his masterly work on the mound, Warneke doubled in the second inning with the bases full, scoring Jonny Mize, Joe Medick and Terry Moore.

Dazzling relief pitching by Bill Lohrman enabled the New York Giants to hand the Boston Bees their first defeat of the season, 6-5. Lohrman took over the mound in the fifth inning to replace Manuel Salvo, a rookie up from San Diego, where he won 22 games and lost 9 last season. Two runs in the sixth inning gave Lohrman all the lead he needed. Mel Ott hit a nomer for the Giants, Buddy Hassett and Ed Miller, a rookie from Knasas City, got circuit blows for the Bees.

Goat of the Game

Russ Evans, a rookie pitcher who won 21 games and lost 14 for New Orleans last season, was the goat of the Dodgers-Phillies game in Philadelphia. With the score tied and the bases loaded, Evans went in to pitch for the Dodgers in place of Freddie Fitzsimmons. Evans was charged with a baulk, scoring the run that gave the Phillies a 5-4 victory.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	R.	H.	E.
Brooklyn	4	9	0
Philadelphia	5	8	1
Batteries: Fitzsimmons, Evans and Todo, Phelps; Hollingsworth, Poindexter, Burkhard and Hayes.			
Pittsburgh	2	8	0
Cincinnati	4	10	0
Batteries: Blanton, Sewell, Brown and Mueller; Derringer and Lombardi.			
Chicago	0	4	1
St. Louis	9	14	1
Batteries: French, Root, Higbee, Brown and Mancuso.			
Boston	5	9	1
New York	6	7	2
Batteries: Shoffner, Erickson, Posedel and Lopez; Salvo, Lohrman and Banning.			

AMERICAN LEAGUE

New York	1	6	0
Washington	3	4	0
Batteries: Hildebrand and Dickey; Leonard and R. Ferrell.			
St. Louis	5	8	1
Chicago	1	7	0
Batteries: Newsom and Sullivan; Lyons, Brown and Silvestri.			
Philadelphia	2	5	2
Boston	9	2	0
Batteries: Ross, Nelson, Brucker and Hayes; Rich and Peacock.			
Detroit	1	8	1
Cleveland	2	5	0
Batteries: Kennedy, McKain and York; Hudlin, Humphreys and Hemsl.			

—United Press.

Padgham Wins Silver King Golf Title

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Moorpark, Apr. 22.

Alf Padgham today won the Silver King Golf Tournament, Burton retiring at the 33rd hole when Padgham was nine strokes ahead. The winner led by seven strokes at the end of the morning round, in which the scores were: Padgham 74 and Burton 81.—Reuter.

Home Soccer Tables

SCOTTISH LEAGUE, FIRST DIVISION

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Rangers	37	24	9	3	100	51	57
Celtic	37	20	8	9	100	51	48
Falkirk	37	19	7	11	73	61	45
Aberdeen	37	19	6	12	89	61	44
Hearts	36	19	5	12	95	66	43
Queen O'South	37	17	9	11	69	62	43
St. Johnstone	38	17	6	15	65	62	40
Hamilton	38	17	5	14	61	67	39
Kilmarnock	37	15	9	13	72	81	39
Motherwell	37	16	5	16	81	84	37
Clyde	36	16	5	17	73	65	37
Partick	37	16	4	17	72	88	36
Ayr. U.	37	13	8	16	73	80	34
Hibernian	36	13	7	16	67	66	33
Arbroath	38	11	8	19	54	75	30
Third Lanark	36	11	7	18	75	93	29
Albion	37	11	6	20	63	89	28
St. Mirren	37	10	7	20	55	79	27
Queen's Quark	37	10	5	22	55	83	25
Raith Rovers	37	10	2	25	64	97	22

English League

1ST DIVISION

Everton	40	26	5	9	85	49	57
Wolverhampton	40	21	10	9	86	39	52
Charlton	40	21	6	13	72	57	48
Derby	41	19	8	14	65	53	46
Middlesbrough	40	19	8	13	54	71	46
Arsenal	40	17	9	14	51	40	43
Bolton	39	15	13	11	66	55	43
Stoke	40	16	11	13	71	68	43
Liverpool	41	14	14	13	62	61	42
Grimsby	41	15	11	15	53	65	41
Preston	39	15	11	13	59	55	41
Aston Villa	40	16	8	16	70	57	40
Leeds	40	16	8	16	59	63	40
Portsmouth	41	12	13	16	46	68	37
Sunderland	40	13	10	17	54	67	36
Brentford	14	14	7	19	52	71	35
Blackpool	40	11	13	16	53	66	35
Manchester	40	10	15	15	55	65	35
Huddersfield	40	12	9	19	57	63	33
Chelsea	39	12	6	21	61	77	30
Leicester	41	9	11	21	48	80	29
Birmingham	39	11	6	22	56	82	28

SECOND DIVISION

Blackburn	40	24	4	12	92	60	52
Sheffield W.	40	20	10	10	66	58	50
Luton Town	39	22	5	12	81	59	49
Sheffield U.	39	18	13	8	60	40	49
Chesterfield	39	19	9	11	62	47	47
Tottenham	40	19	9	12	66	55	47
Coventry C.	39	20	7	12	59	41	47
Manchester C.	38	20	6	13	91	68	46
Newcastle	40	17	9	14	58	47	43
West Brom.	41	17	9	15	85	70	43
Fulham	40	16	10	14	59	53	42
Millwall	40	13	14	13	62	50	40
Burnley	41	15	9	17	49	54	39
West Ham	39	15	9	15	66	51	39
Bury	41	11	13	17	63	73	35
Plymouth	39	13	8	18	45	53	34
Bradford	41	12	10	19	59	80	34
Southampton	40	12	9	19	54	79	33
Swansea	40	11	11	18	47	75	33
Notts Forest	40	9	11	20	47	80	29
Norwich C.	38	12	4	22	46	85	28
Tranmere R.	41	6	5	30	38	97	17

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)

Newport C.	41	22	11	8	69	42	55
Reading	41	15	15	11	67	57	45
Crystal Palace	40	12	9	19	44	57	45
Clapton & H.A.	40	17	10	13	64	50	44
Cardiff City	40	17	10	13	65	53	44
Watford	39	16	11	12	50	46	43
Bristol City	40	17	9	14	61	57	43
Aldershot	40	15	12	13	47	57	42
Notts County	37	16	9	14	55	49	41
Swindon Town	39	16	9	14	68	66	41
Queen's P.R.	37	15	10	12	67	53	40
Northampton	40	16	7	17	55	60	39
Mansfield T.	40	12	13	15	35	61	37
Bournemouth	39	14	9	16	47	58	37
Southend U.	38	15	7	16	62	61	37
Port Vale	40	14	8	18	53	59	36
Exeter City	40	12	12	16	59	78	36
Ipswich	38	12	12	14	48	49	36
Torquay	40	13	8	19	51	61	35
Clapton Orient	38	11	12	16	47	51	34
Bristol Rovers	41	10	13	18	47	53	33
Walsall	39	9	11	19	49	64	29

THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)

Barnsley	41	28	8	5	89	35	64
Doncaster R.	40	19	14	7	78	45	52
Bradford City	40	21	8	11	83	52	50
Southport	39	19	10	10	72	46	48
Oldham A.	41	21	5	15	72	58	47
Hull City	41	18	10	13	82	70	46
Crewe A.	40	15	5	16	61	66	43
Chester	35	17	9	13	80	67	43
Rotherham	41	17	7	17	63	64	41
Barrow	41	17	7	17	66	64	41
Stockport	39	16	8	15	83	70	40
Halifax T.	40	13	14	13	46	48	40
Rochdale	41	15	10	16	52	76	40
Wrexham	41	17	6	18	65	83	40
New Brighton	41	15	9	17	67	70	39
Gateshead	39	14	11	14	69	62	39
Lincoln City	40	12	9	19	64	83	33
Darlington	41	13	7	21	65	89	33
Carlisle U.	40	12	6	22	60	103	30
York City	39	11	8	20	59	85	30
Hartlepools	41	12	5	24	55	95	29
Accrington	41	6	6	29	46	100	18

A.A.A. Championships

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

White City, Apr. 22.

In the Amateur Athletic Association's championships held here today, the seven-mile walking event was won by H. Churcher of the Belgrave Harriers in 52 minutes, 37 seconds. The 10-mile running event was won by J. Chapelle of Belgium in the time of 51 minutes, 56 seconds.—Reuter.

Choy Wins Melbury Club Tennis Title

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Apr. 22.

W. C. Choy (China) won the final of the Melbury Club men's singles today when he beat MacPhail (Britain) by 7-5 and 6-3. Miss Kay Stammers (Britain) beat Miss Kormoczy (Hungary) in the final of the women's singles by 6-1 and 6-1.—Reuter.

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TOWARDS CONSCRIPTION?

If as Havas reports the British Cabinet may take a decision on the subject of conscription for Great Britain, some time this week, it will be because the Government is being gently forced in this direction not only by the very manifest desires of France herself, but also because of the fact that imposing as Britain's preparations against war have been, there is still a number of European Powers which see strength in terms of man power on land, and are consequently not particularly impressed with might in other spheres. When Mr. Neville Chamberlain succeeded Mr. Stanley Baldwin as Prime Minister he was heir to the pledge that the latter gave that the Nationalist Government would not introduce conscription in times of peace. It was that pledge which it is claimed, and particularly by the Opposition, —which fears the use of a conscript army in trade disputes,—was largely responsible for the big victory which the Nationalist Government secured at the polls, and Mr. Chamberlain, good business man that he is, realizes the importance of adhering to that undertaking so long as it is humanly possible. The response to the appeal for voluntary recruitment for the purpose of doubling the Territorial Army has not been disappointing, it is well up to, if not above normal recruiting figures, but the proponents of conscription point out with considerable justification that that rate is too slow when the urgencies of the situation are given the fullest consideration, that what is required at the present moment is that Great Britain should have at its disposal the strongest possible striking force capable of being sent anywhere in Europe to the assistance of those who may sooner or later find themselves in the mutual anti-aggression pact towards which Great Britain is steadily working with by no means slight success. Nations like Rumania, Poland and Greece are more likely to be impressed with military than by naval strength; the same may be true also of Russia, for any nation which holds to the doctrine that it is the bayonet which eventually decides wars, will, while acknowledging the value of navies and air fleets, still contend that the man who can enter into occupation is the one who ultimately sets the seal upon victory.

At the commencement of the Great War in 1914 the total strength of the British Army in all theatres of war amounted to 24,896 officers and 708,618 other ranks. Those numbers were swelled by the system of voluntary recruiting and ultimately Earl Derby's scheme, but actual experience proved that neither of these systems led to the formation of armies large enough to have that immediate effect in hostilities which was so eminently desirable. In November, 1918, the army figures showed a total of 193,102 officers and 4,755,242 other ranks under arms, though other authorities show that the total number of men raised for military service during the war amounted to 5,704,000. In view of the strength of the German army in 1914, the throwing of 100,000 British soldiers on to the continent, an army which it is stated aroused the risible faculties of their enemies, would have been regarded as nothing but a gesture had it not been for the manner in which the "Old Contemptibles" acquitted themselves, and made their own very definite impress on the future development of the war. The despatch of 340,000 as contemplated under the present Army scheme in the event of war would be somewhat slightly more impressive, but when the numbers are compared with those which eventually had to be employed in the last War—something in the nature of one-fourteenth,—it must be realized that this would not be the effective contribution which Great Britain should be called upon to make to the common cause. Except for the purposes of numerical comparison it is useless to think in terms of 1914-1918. With the development of the aerial arm, and the swift moving tank, an entirely new tempo has been set for war. There will be but the slightest of margins in which to repair mistakes in forethought, probably none indeed to make good errors in strategy, and it may very well prove that a nation which has not a great army in being at the outbreak of hostilities may never have the opportunity of recruiting one. It would have no opportunity whatever unless it were able in a comparatively short time to secure control of the air, something upon which the outcome of the next war may in the end be found completely to have depended.

In the course of a recruiting speech at Bermonsey, on March 31, Mr. Hore-Belisha, Minister for War, appealed for 250,000 men, offering them nothing "except the knowledge that they may be ready to preserve this country and uphold at a sharp moment the principles of uprightness and liberty." There is not the slighted doubt that he will get them. But will he get them quickly enough? And if he does, will the number then be sufficient? The history of 1914-1918 suggests that they will not, that the British nation must be made to think of its army in terms of millions, and not of hundreds of thousands The question next arises is whether Mr. Chamberlain should abandon the pledge which has come to him as an uncomfortable legacy. To do so would be attended with the grave danger of splitting the country from top to bottom unless the Opposition, and more particularly the Labour and Socialist sections are given the satisfaction of seeing compulsory mobilization including all branches of a nation's activities. For that view there must also be found some degree of support. Whether the average Briton likes it or no, the fact is that at least two of the nations with whom she may be called upon to fight have even now mobilized all their national resources, and that capital, just as much as man-power is at the command of the State, one which she may find on her side as also done the same thing, and the sooner Britons realize that when the nation is at war all of them are, the earlier will come recognition of the fact that only by the speediest of preparations on all fronts can the system of defence arrive at anything approaching perfection. Naturally the next question to be asked is whether Mr. Chamberlain should go to the country on the issue of conscription. That it would be somewhat of a gamble is probable, but it is just as equally likely that the nation would give him the mandate which so many of his supporters desire, but there again there is the issue of time to be taken into consideration. A general election, and, on assembly of Parliament, the passage of the necessary legislation, more particularly if as a result of the polls the Opposition were strengthened, would mean that many precious months would be lost before conscription could be got under way, and a month is much too long a period of time nowadays to permit of liberties being taken with numbers of it.

The Spring Campaign

If there is anything at all refreshing about this long drawn out China Incident, it is the manner in which the news concerning it is dished out for foreign consumption. Japanese reports a few days ago spoke of the Chinese spring offensive, telling of Chinese activities on all fronts of some proportions, but nevertheless capable of being handled by the Japanese troops on the spot. Chungking reports promptly dubbed the news as premature, stating that the Spring campaign has not yet been commenced, but nevertheless leaving the impression that sooner or later it would be under way. Undismayed by what amounted to a journalistic rebuff the Japanese claimed that the Chinese offensive had collapsed. Against this the Chinese military spokesman in Chungking alleged that no fewer than seventy important towns had been recaptured by the Chinese during the past twenty days, suggesting that perhaps, after all the spring campaign had started and reading strangely in view of the Japanese claim that after only ten days of activities the Chinese onslaughts had been shattered. That apparently does not disturb the Chinese dispenser of news who is now responsible for the statement that the Spring Campaign is only being prepared for, though the capture of seventy important town in twenty days would suggest that, if this is merely preparation, the real thing when it comes along will be even more imposing. Says the spokesman "We have made careful preparations for a general counter-offensive, but the moment for it is not yet." All this is having a certain effect upon journalists responsible for "covering" the China Incident. Sub-editors are prematurely ageing under the strain of trying to find out from the news despatches from the two sides what really is happening, editors stare vacantly at maps hardly knowing what to believe, while the foreign correspondent, like Ralph the Rover, "tears his hair in his despair." Newspaper readers are in the most fortunate position. They pay their money and they take their choice of the news, each believing just what he wants to, and consequently believing that all is for the best in the best possible of worlds.

Gentle Humourists

Herr Hitler's qestionnaire to the small states surrounding Germany, as a result of President Roosevelt's peace plea, and the answers which up to the present he has received to it, seem to suggest that the governments of the smaller nations are not without a sense of humour. Der Fuehrer undoubtedly sought to receive assurances from them that they did not consider themselves as threatened by German aggression, and the replies are for the most part clever in the extreme. Switzerland is confident that there would be respect for Swiss neutrality, which the Confederation would defend with its army, and which Germany and other States had emphatically recognized. Lithuania quotes the recent Lithuanian-German treaty regarding the cession of Memel, in which Germany shoulders the obligation never to resort to or support a force against Lithuania. The Netherlands do not consider they are threatened by Germany, though a continuance of present tendencies may lead to war, while Belgium having spontaneous guarantees from France, Germany and Great Britain did not think herself to be threatened. Greece does not consider herself menaced by the Reich, and, while a few more replies have still to come in, Herr Hitler should by the end of the week be in a position to assure President Roosevelt that he is in receipt of information from the countries referred to which should relieve the President of all anxiety as to German warlike ideas. In fact Herr Hitler has up to the present received very little satisfaction, for the replies are based upon the assumption of German responsibility for adhering to pledges, and are consequently dictated by the doctrine of *rebus sic stantibus*. So long as pledges and guarantees are faithfully observed it is obviously true that these smaller nations are in no particular danger, but the fact that most, if not all of them, are not idle about taking steps for self defence against someone or other, and it cannot be either Greenland or Lapland, the facts would suggest that this ironic assumption of calm, is wise in the circumstances and yet not without a sardonic form of humour.

A COUNTRY DIARY

April 22. Many people have said to me about Weihaiwei, "does not the absence of birds worry you—don't you miss them after the vast numbers we have in Shanghai?" The answer to such a question is best dealt with by the following entry I made in my diary last week. My Weihaiwei garden is haunted by many birds: sparrows are a pleasure to the eye ....buff-brown plumage, clean as a whistle, in place of the sooty little rascals living in our Shanghai gutters: the intelligent house-swallow which built on top of my electric light has left me, but her place has been taken by a red-rumped swallow whose bottle-shaped nest is already inhabited: the Meadow Bunting still sings from my chimney-top while Titmice collect insects from the apple trees: Hoopoes arrived early in April and flash their brilliant crests among the fir trees: little bands of Greenfinches flying in the sun look like something stolen from a rainbow. Up in the hills shore-larks haunt the undergrowth while great handsome partridges (known as *Chukor*) go screaming over the valleys to land on a distant rock repeating their minatory call of *"Look-out, look-out-look-out"*: migrant birds come and go according to their season.... and sometimes it is all so beautiful I am unable to believe it is true. Years ago I wrote about meeting frogs marching *downhill*, and wondered if they were merely repeating the history of the famous Duke who had 10,000 men and marched them up a high hill merely for the pleasure of marching them down again. This year I found the true answer which is worth recording. Visiting the little rock pool from which I imagined the frogs to have come, I found large numbers of thrushes; Grey-backed with red flanks and Dusky Ousels with breasts bedecked with deep brown necklaces: they were crowded round this tiny pool and would not move when I disturbed them: with frog-spawn on their feet from the low-lying marshes, they had deposited in the pool from which the frogs will subsequently make their downward march. And so I say, when people ask me the above-mentioned question, "No. There are no birds in Weihaiwei, unless you have the eyes to see them."

IN PARENTHESIS

Subtle

I TOLD her a very subtle story yesterday. Eee, but it was subtle—it was two hours before she slapped my face!

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Berated

"WHY don't you stop beating about the Bush?" demanded the Governor-General of Australia angrily to the Scotsman who had lost a sixpence somewhere in New South Wales.

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Snows of Yesteryear

MR. John Snow, who was divorced last year from his wife, Mrs. Amaryllis Snow, has married the Countess of Biffenbury. Mrs. Amaryllis Snow was married on the same day to Lord Snook.

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She Meant Business

CONVERSATION overheard on a bus between a mother and her daughter: "He wants me to marry him, mother, but I don't think I ought to. He says he's an atheist and doesn't believe in hell." Said the mother: "You marry him, Gertie, and between us we'll convince him that he's wrong."

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Honest Man

AN out-of-work man applied to a circus manager for a job. "I need an assistant lion-tamer. How would you like that?" The poor man being nervous said: "Not me!" "Oh, it's quite easy. The secret is to make the lions believe you're not afraid of them!" "Mister," said the man, "I couldn't be so deceitful!"

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Only Daddy

DID you hear the one about the little boy who rushed up to his mother and said, all excited: "Oh, Mum, there's a strange man in the kitchen kissing cook!"?

Well, naturally, Mother got proper blazing and, taking the lad by the hand, she bustled along to the kitchen to see what was to-do. "I'll teach cook she can't kiss strange men in my kitchen," she snorted, but just as she opened t'door her little boy piped up: "April fool —it's only Daddy!"

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Bitter

THE papers shout
A lot about
This bug that's full of "jitter."
I'll tell you flat.
A cure for that—
A jug that's full of bitter!

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Conversation With An Air Raid Warden

Good morning, Sir.

How do, lad? Turned out nice again, hasn't it? Is Sir John Anderson in?

Sir John does not live here. What is your business?

My business? I'm a funny man.

I can see that. I mean, what is your business with Sir John?

I want to complain about those tin toboggans he sent us.

Tin toboggans?

Aye, those curved bits o' tin he sent us.

Are you by any chance referring to your steel air-raid shelters?

Eee, is that what it is?

Of course. Do you still wish to lodge a complaint?

Me? No thanks—I've got one lodging with me now—complains all day, she does.

To get back to your shelter—

I don't want to. I don't feel safe in it.

Have you sunk it securely into the ground?

Eee, do you have to do that? We thought we just had to pull t'pieces over us, like a blanket. It would have been a bit hard on Mrs. Wigginthorpe though—she got the bit with the opening in it. It would have exposed her to ridicule, like.

No, no. The parts must be assembled into a whole.

And then we fill up the hole?

You don't get me.

I don't want you. But tell me how many do these shelters hold?

Oh, about five or six.

Is that all? Then I'll let 'em stay where they are—under my bed.

Who?

My whippets. So long.

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Fairy Hysteria

THE Fairy Hysteria, who always follows the trail of over-publicized sport to fling her clinging white arms about the necks of heroes, has now pressed her tear-staind face against the beery whiskers of darts players, writes Nat Gubbins in the "Sunday Express."

There was a time when boxing in England was a thumping match between two leather-faced, iron-fisted gorillas who banged the stuffing out of each other for a purse of ten guineas. Then boxing was publicized, fortunes were made out of it, and the Fairy Hysteria rushed to the ringside to swoon with delighted horror at the sight of blood and to turn fighters into actors wearing mouthguards to protect their beauty.

The same thing happened with cricket.

It was once a village game in which everybody but the vicar got happily plastered and nobody cared who won. Publicity followed, the Fairy Hysteria intervened, and cricket became a silly self-conscious affair. Players became sober and handsome and fearfully fit, and the result is either-extreme boredom or international tension.

Years and years ago, before the game was taken up by smart clubs and Mayfair hostesses, I used to play darts in the four-ale bar. We used to play for pints, and nobody hugged me if I won.

But now that columns are printed every week about darts, this is what happened at The Mail Coach Inn, Rotherham, according to a writer who signs himself "The Champ":—

"Loud speakers carried the running commentary by 'Atlas' to the crowds unable to find room in the darts hall....I have never witnessed anything to equal the tremendous expression of delight which spectators showed when the home player, Sam Stacey (Mail Coach), won the title.

"The crowd rushed the platform, lifting young Stacey high, hugged him and cheered until we were deafened.

"Stacey's triumph was the more noteworthy because through the illness of his wife he has only had about twenty-four hours' sleep in the past fortnight."

Thanks to the Fairy Hysteria, who is apparently following darts very closely, we shall soon read of players who are over-trained and cry when they lose. And, what is worse, of players' wives who tell reporters:—

"I cannot bear to watch my husband play in case he gets hurt. I content myself with cooking his favourite dishes, seeing that he has a good night's sleep, and keeping him cheerful."

THE WEATHER

Temperature near Holy Trinity Cathedral Shanghai 24 hours ending 7 p.m.:—

Yesterday	Min. 53.0	Max. 71.5
Same date, 1938	Min. 58.0	Max. 63.0

Rainfall nil.

Temperature at Siccawei:—

Yesterday	Min. 54.0	Max. 68.2
Same date, 1938	Min. 57.9	Max. 65.8

Siccawei's Report

State on the morning of the 22nd:—Normal and rising pressure over China: low and unsteady over Japan. North-westerly to north-easterly winds along the China Coast. Fine and cloudy weather in the north and in our regions: overcast with fog in the south.

State on the morning of the 23rd:—Cloudy and fine weather. North-easterly wind. High and rising pressure.

Probabilities, 4.30 p.m. yesterday:—Fine and hazy weather with north-westerly to northerly winds around Shantung. Cloudy, rather fine and milder with north-westerly to north-easterly winds over our regions. Cloudy to overcast with northerly to north-easterly winds over the Eastern Sea.—Siccawei Observatory.

France Wants British Conscription

Determination at Home to Face Seriousness Of Issues; Race to Win Over Smaller Powers Shades Political Picture

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Apr. 23.

THE heat of the political fires which seem likely to change the fact of Europe—not necessarily in a territorial sense, if the democracies have their way—shows no sign of cooling off, states Reuter's Diplomatic Correspondent. The realization of this weighs heavily on the British Press this Saint George's Day.

The serious attention devoted to the situation in all its complex aspects, despite the absence of surprises since President Roosevelt startled the world with his message to the dictators, is eloquent of the steady determination of every shade of public opinion to face up to the seriousness of the hour. While the democracies and the Axis Powers are seen as being engaged in something of a race to woo the smaller Powers before next Friday, when Herr Hitler is due to reply to President Roosevelt's appeal, there is acknowledgement in plenty that this does not complete the present picture.

As the "Sunday Times" observes editorially, however, the diplomatic picture may vary in detail from hour to hour, but one thing is unchanging—that is the present necessity for the British nation to develop its maximum fighting capacity within the minimum time.

The issue of conscription is raised anew in some journals. Led by the "Observer," they affirm that the matter is to be raised again at tomorrow's meeting of the Cabinet, and give currency to reports that during the past 48 hours France has made a new plea for the introduction of what to this country would be a revolutionary peace-time measure.

The aim of British policy in the Balkans is seen by the Diplomatic Correspondent of the "Sunday Times" as an endeavour to promote a neutral bloc of countries (no doubt including Bulgaria) who would be pledged to come to each other's assistance.

The importance of the British and French negotiations with Turkey in connection with the Eastern Mediterranean is underlined by the Diplomatic Correspondent of the "Observer."

Dealing with another important aspect of the growth of the anti-aggression front—the obscurity of the relations between Rumania and Poland—the diplomatic correspondent of the "Sunday Times" points out that conditions have changed since the alliance between the two countries was framed, with a view to their mutual protection against the Soviet. The Rumano-Polish Treaty, the correspondent adds, therefore needs to be brought up to date.

M. Grigore Gafencu (the Rumanian Foreign Minister), he declares, will be able to explain in London—where he is due to arrive today—what progress has been made in this direction.—Reuter.

Conscription Unavoidable?

London, Apr. 22.

That conscription is unavoidable in Britain under the present circumstances has been freely asserted in informed political quarters for the past few days, and Westminster lobbies anticipated this evening that the Cabinet will have to settle the question during the coming week.

It is reliably reported by a source close to the Foreign Office that on his return from Paris today, Sir Robert Vansittart, Chief Diplomatic Adviser to H. M. Government, expressed the opinion to Foreign Secretary Lord Halifax that Britain's Allies—and especially France and the whole of the French opinion—are expecting such a decision from Britain.

It is further understood that in a recent talk with Mr. Neville Chamberlain, Viscount Gort, Chief of the Imperial General Staff, insisted on the fact that unless Britain's military might is considerably increased, few European countries would be willing to sign military pacts with London.

Another fact which might hasten the Cabinet's decision to resort to conscription is the comparatively poor results reached by the War Office's propaganda aiming to double the effectives of the Territorial Army.—Havas.

German Diplomatic Offensive

Effort to Strengthen Axis Position in East Europe; Staff Talks Rumoured

Berlin, Apr. 23.

Germany is planning a vigorous diplomatic campaign, particularly in eastern and south-eastern Europe, aimed at consolidating the position of the Totalitarian Powers and defeating the efforts of the Democracies to form a "peace front," diplomatic quarters reported last night.

Simultaneously it was reported that general staff discussions will be held among the high command of the German, Italian and Spanish armies. Nazi circles said this report could not be confirmed, however.

Meanwhile, Government circles admitted that Germany had "discussed the question broached by President Roosevelt's peace message" with other nations mentioned in the peace appeal. The announcement was the first official admission here that Chancellor Adolf Hitler was attempting to obtain from the small nations of Europe a statement that they did not fear Germany and had not asked President Roosevelt or the United States to intervene for them.

British sources reported last night that Rumania had sent Herr Hitler an astonishingly frank reply, stating: "Germany is in a better position than Rumania to know her own intentions." Diplomatic quarters regarded the reply as virtual snub and an admission that Rumania has certain apprehensions because of world conditions.

How Powers Replied

Replies from other Powers were more moderate and assured Germany that there were no fears of German aggression. Belgium replied that "Germany, Britain and France anticipated the answer to President Roosevelt's question in 1937 when they guaranteed Belgium territory." Switzerland replied that she had "no knowledge of President Roosevelt's intentions of appealing for peace to Germany and Italy."

"The Federal Council," the reply stated, "relies on the neutrality of the Swiss Confederation which is protected by its own defensive forces and is expressly recognized and respected by Germany and other neighbouring states." The Foreign Minister of Finland announced that he did not believe Germany was menacing Finnish neutrality.

Sweden replied that "we don't feel threatened" and Denmark made a similar announcement. However, Denmark refused to reveal whether she had actually received one of Herr Hitler's "questionnaires".

Nazi circles admitted here that Chancellor Hitler intends to use the replies of the small nations when he replies to President Roosevelt's peace appeal before the Reichstag on April 28.—United Press.

Poland Continues on Mobilized Basis

Opinion Unprepared for Any Danzig Concessions

Warsaw, Apr. 22.

There is no relaxation of the partial mobilization, which is estimated to be costing the country more than £40,000 daily. The Danzig population is expecting an early change in status, but public opinion in Poland is utterly unprepared for any concessions.

Meanwhile, the arrests of Polish subjects of German origin for insults against the State continue. General Laidoner, Chief of the Estonian Army, who arrived on Tuesday for staff talks with Polish experts, has postponed his intended departure today until Monday.—Reuter.

Warsaw, Apr. 23.

M. Anatole de Monzie, French Minister of Public Works arrived here yesterday night to inaugurate a new railway line in Poland which was built by French engineers and with an important French financial participation.

He was greeted at the beflagged railway station by M. Josef Beck, Poland's Foreign Minister, and several prominent French and Polish personalities.—Havas.

Soviets To Prospect For Gold and Diamonds

Moscow, Apr. 23.

The Soviet authorities are about to send groups of geologists and engineers to Siberia and the Ural mountains in order to prospect for gold, according to a statement issued here. One of these groups will proceed to the Tschita territory in the Jeisk district in order to work over 5,000 square kilometres of unexplored country.

With the aid of special equipment, a search will also be made for diamonds. Up to now diamonds had only been obtained as a subsidiary yield in mining for alluvial gold.—Trans-Ocean.

Britain Ready to Take Over B.B.C.

Propaganda Uses in Europe's "Peace Front"

London, Apr. 23.

The British Government is preparing to take over control of the British Broadcasting Co. to utilize it as a powerful propaganda weapon in the European "peace front" fight, it was reported today. The "Daily Mail" said the Government would assume direct control of the company on June 7.—United Press.

London, Apr. 22.

The B.B.C. announces that a contract has been placed with the Marconi Wireless Telegraph Company for the supply of two transmitters to replace the present 70-kilowatt London and North Regional transmitters.

The new transmitters will each be capable of supplying an air aerial power of 120 kilowatts—the maximum allowed by the provisions of the European broadcasting convention recently concluded at Montreux. It is expected that the new equipment will be ready for service by Spring of 1940.—Wireless through Reuter.

German Press to Start Big Campaign

Onslaught On Democratic "Lying Press" Ordered

Berlin, Apr. 22.

Dr. Joseph Goebbels, Minister of Propaganda, has ordered a monster press compaign against "the lying Democratic press which is driving the world to war."

The campaign is particularly directed against Britain. The papers will demand that the Democracies should censor the press. The campaign's object is apparently to support Herr Hitler's anticipated reply to President Roosevelt's suggestion that various countries feel threatened by Germany.—Reuter.

Talks With Soviet Near Conclusion

Early Statement from Mr. Chamberlain Likely

Paris, Apr. 23.

After two days of study of Soviet Russia's proposals, France and Britain today agreed to continue their efforts to reach a triple alliance with Russia excluding general collective security.

French officials are understood to fail to share Moscow's hopes of encouraging the United States to enter a collective security system covering the Far East. The Soviet Union is said to feel that the United States cannot afford to decline such an invitation because of the necessity of insuring her freedom to markets in the Orient.

Russia, it is understood, has proposed an international conference of all nations fearing aggression by the Nazi-Fascist dictators. The Russian proposal, according to French diplomatic sources, would embrace all nations interested in maintaining the status quo in Eastern and Western Europe, the Balkans, the Danube basin and Scandinavia. The purpose would be to write a collective security agreement which would pool all the armed strength of the signatory nations against the totalitarian powers of Germany and Italy in case the latter should engage in further aggression.—United Press.

Far East Speculations

London, Apr. 23.

Whether or not the Far East will enter into the Anglo-French agreements with the Soviet is still a matter for conjecture, but reports from Paris do not support those received here yesterday.

Commentators expect that, with the return of M. Ivan Maisky, the Soviet Ambassador, to London, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Prime Minister, will be in a position to make a statement on the progress of the negotiations early this week.—Reuter.

Moscow, Apr. 22.

M. Maisky, Soviet Ambassador in London, has reported the British views to the Soviet Government. He plans to return to London tomorrow, which indicates that Anglo-Soviet negotiations are nearing conclusion.—Reuter.

French Fascist Opposition

Paris, Apr. 23.

Definite opposition to military co-operation with the Soviets in case of a war was expressed yesterday by Colonel Francois de La Rocque, leader of "Parti Social Francais" (former "Croix de Feu,", a Fascist-like organization).

Colonel de La Rocque, who spoke at the Party's Extraordinary Congress asserted, that Soviet up-to-date military production was mere "bluff" and that Colonel Charles Lindbergh had a very poor idea of the Soviet air force.

Asserting that in the case of a general conflagration the bulk of Soviet forces would be used against Japan, Colonel de La Rocque affirmed that never will Rumania and Poland tolerate the passage of a Red Army through their respective territories, for, he affirmed, both Poles and Rumanians dread "Red plague."

He then recalled that his party had never asked for the abrogation of the Franco-Soviet Pact. Expressing "great relief" at the fact that this Pact did not contain any military clauses, he stated: "We really cannot expect from Russia war materials but we could perhaps get from her raw and semi finished material. There could be no question of our being committed further with Soviets," he concluded.—Havas.

Export Subsidy Plan Endorsed

Cotton Senators Approve Export Programme

Washington, Apr. 23.

Over the objections of Senator Walter George, Democrat of Georgia, 17 Senators from the major portion of the southern cotton bloc yesterday overwhelmingly endorsed the export subsidy programme advocated by the Secretary of Agriculture and already approved by President Roosevelt.

The Senators are seeking to increase American cotton exports from 4,000,000 to 6,000,000 bales which would still be more than 1,500,000 bales below the 1928-37 average.

Senator John Bankhead, Democrat of Alabama, said Mr. Henry Wallace's original plan, designed to reduce the surplus of 11,000,000 bales of cotton held by the Government on loans to cotton planters, met with almost unanimous opposition because it was felt it would ruin the market for the new crop.

Mr. Wallace subsequently was said to have modified his proposal which has now met with almost unanimous approval. Senator Bankhead said the Government's programme would result in a price of eight or nine cents per pound for cotton.—United Press.

Grasshoppers Invade California

Desperate Measures Taken To Check Hordes

San Francisco, Apr. 23.

California's worst grasshopper plague in 18 years, centring in the agricultural area near Coalinga, in the San Joaquin Valley, spread northwards into other fertile farming areas today. The state administration and fearful farmers rallied all available man-power they could gather to check the tide of millions of devastating insects.

The menace was greatest in the Coalinga district, where county, state and federal authorities, aided by volunteers, used fire and poison mash in a desperate attempt to halt the surge of grasshoppers over a fifty-mile battlefront.—United Press.

St. George's Day In England

London, Apr. 23.

Today is St. George's Day. The King and Queen will attend the National Boy Scout Rally at Windsor. The annual service of the Order of St. Michael and St. George was held in St. Paul's Cathedral yesterday morning.—Wireless through Reuter.

"N.C.D.N." Photos.

St. George's Day Celebrations in Shanghai

St. George's Day was observed in Shanghai yesterday with much ceremony. Two companies of the East Surrey Regiment attended Holy Trinity Cathedral where their colour was blessed and wreaths were placed on the War Memorial. Upper left picture shows Sir Herbert Phillips, H.M. Consul-General, with Major G.E. Swinton, on his right, taking the salute outside the Cathedral. Upper right, the regimental colour being carried from the Cathedral, Below, the committee of St. George's Society at the War Memorial ceremony.

Italo-Yugoslavian Talks Open

Cordial Atmosphere Marks Meeting; May Be Asked to Join Anti-Comintern

Venice, Apr. 22.

It is stated here that the first conference of Count Ciano, the Italian Foreign Minister, with M. Markovitch, the Yugoslav Foreign Minister, held today, began in a very good atmosphere.

In an interview in a train prior to his arrival in Venice, M. Markovitch emphasized the excellent impression made in Yugoslavia by the recent statements of Signor Mussolini and Count Ciano regarding Italy's friendly intention.

Italian political circles believe that the proposed pact between Hungary and Yugoslavia will be one of the main points of discussion during the conferences. Some quarters consider that the present talks between Count Ciano and M. Markovitch will doubtless prove to be another of Italy's recent determined efforts to buttress her political, strategic and economic position.—Reuter.

Will Not Be Entangled

Belgrade, Apr. 22.

Political circles here suggest that Yugoslavia will be asked to join the anti-Comintern Pact, or at least establish evidence of disinclination to join the Anglo-French defensive alliance.

Further pressure is expected to be exerted on the occasion of the visit of M. Markovitch, the Yugoslav Foreign Minister, to Berlin, which is now scheduled for April 26. Responsible circles, however, do not believe that Yugoslavia will allow herself to be entangled.

Ten thousand young Yugoslavs, representing a diversity of organizations and all shades of party opinion, today attended a meeting in the Belgrade University. A resolution was adopted in favour of Democracy, and appealing to the Government not to cover a secret adhesion to the aggressor with cloak neutrality.—Reuter.

Aimed at Clarification

Rome, Apr. 23.

Striking a somewhat moderate note, Signor Virginio Gayda, Il Duce's mouthpiece, writing in "Giornale d'Italia" stated last night that Italo-Yugoslav talks which are at present taking place at Venice are not directed against anyone but merely aim at clarifying the reciprocal positions of the two countries.

Signor Gayda praised the Yugoslav attitude during the Albanian affair adding "Franco-British attempts aiming to compromise Yugoslavia in a vain attempt of encircling Italy and the Reich have failed. The Fascist journalist concluded in asserting that the idea sponsored by Italy of a Hungaro-Yugoslav pact will be materialized shortly, perhaps in May.—Havas.

Regent To Visit Rome

Venice, Apr. 23.

Prince Paul, Regent of Yugoslavia, will pay an official visit to Rome in the second half of May.

Authoritative quarters here are fully satisfied by the results of the conversations between the Italian and Yugoslav Foreign Ministers, which ended here today.

The friendship between Rome and Belgrade has been strengthened still further by the meeting. These quarters consider that Yugoslavia has now definitely entered the totalitarian block. The question of a rapprochement between Hungary and Yugoslavia, they add, has been practically settled.

It is being persistently rumoured that Count Stephen Csaky, the Hungarian Foreign Minister, will go to Belgrade shortly to elaborate a Hungaro-Yugoslav pact which would be signed towards the end of May. Yugoslavia would then adhere to the anti-Komintern pact and leave the League of Nations.

Observers here declare that the chief advantage which Yugoslavia will gain by joining the Germano-Italian block will be her ability to proceed quietly with a settlement of the Croat question without having to fear a Croat autonomist movement supported by one of her powerful neighbours.

As for Hungary, she will be able, following the improvement in her relations with Yugoslavia and the definite end of the Little Entente, to improve her position in laying down her territorial claims against Rumania.—Havas.

Chinese Launch Offensive on Hangchow-Nanking Highway

Three Columns Reported Advancing Towards Former Capital and Chinkiang; Chungking Optimistic

Chungking, Apr. 23.

THE Chinese forces have now begun an offensive along the East China front, according to Chinese military dispatches reaching here. The Chinese are said to be advancing in three columns along the Hangchow-Nanking highway towards the Nanking and Chinkiang areas, while another Chinese column is reported to be pushing towards Huchow, situated on the southern shore of the Taihu Lake. After crossing the Chientang River, it is claimed, the Chinese are now pushing towards the Hangchow and Kashing areas.

Meanwhile, with the offensive on the Eastern front now reported to be in progress, Chinese military circles here claim that yet another raid has been launched on Kaifeng, the capital of Honan. In the early hours of April 21, it is stated, Chinese troops made a surprise attack on Kaifeng, raiding the city for the third time within the past fortnight.

Despite Japanese precautions, the Chinese are stated to have broken through the Japanese defences.

They are said to have occupied the railway station and the western suburbs, and, after having set fire to Japanese supplies in nearby depots and dumps, to have withdrawn at dawn.

A Japanese armoured train, according to Chinese claims, was blown up by a Chinese mine on the Peiping-Hankow Railway at Hsuankou Station, to the south of Tanying, when en route from Sinhsiang to Anyang.

The Chinese forces defending Kuling, it is admitted here, have now evacuated the famous mountain resort. They are said to have withdrawn south-westwards and to have joined forces with Chinese guerilla units operating in the Mingshan Mountains, to the south-west of Kiukiang, and to the south of Juichang.

Japanese troops, it is claimed, at noon on April 21 launched an attack on the Chinese positions at Mingshan, in the vicinity of Hsiachiapu, Pengshanhu and Tashan, but made little progress.—Reuter.

Nothing Tangible At Canton

Chungking, Apr. 23.

The progress achieved by the Chinese forces in their advance on Canton in the fighting in Kiangsi province has encouraged military circles here to expect big results from the present Chinese offensive which, it is insisted, is still in its initial stages.

Judging from the latest reports, the operations in Kwangtung province have not yet led to any tangible results. Apparently the Chinese forces operating in this province are still engaged in an attempt to encircle the Japanese positions as a preliminary to a direct attack on Canton.

In north-western Kiangsi, the Chinese forces are stated to have achieved the complete encirclement of Wuning and the Japanese troops are reported to have fallen back upon this town in order to await the arrival of reinforcements. These may appear on the scene before the Chinese artillery can begin a bombardment of the town as the bad state of the roads make it very difficult for guns to be brought into position.

The Chinese claim that their troops succeeded yesterday in smashing their way into the town of Kaoan, while other Chinese columns are reported to have approached within ten kilometres of Nanchang before being forced to withdraw again by fierce Japanese counter-attacks. The morale of the Chinese troops is described here as being excellent.—Trans-Ocean.

May Attack Foochow

Peiping, Apr. 23.

Foreign reports from Foochow indicate that there is a fear that the Japanese may shortly attack the city from the sea and try to make a landing. Lately, the city has been subjected to many bombing raids from aircraft-carriers. Three raids took place yesterday, resulting in considerable damage, and caused 60 casaulties.

Owing to the air-raids and fear of an attempted landing, the Provincial Government is reported to have moved inland to Yenping, on the Min River.—Reuter.

Evacuation of Swatow

Hongkong, Apr. 23.

Responsible sources here are unable to confirm reports of Japanese activity in Swatow, but for the past few days, there has been a large-scale evacuation of Chinese due to alleged Japanese fleet movements in the vicinity of Swatow.—Reuter.

Heavy Chinese Casualties Claimed

Taiyuan, Shansi, Apr. 23.

Between April 1 and April 20, when the Chinese spring drive collapsed, Japanese forces engaged 17 divisions comprising some 120,000 troops in Shansi Province, according to official figures released yesterday which claimed that the Chinese left 4,712 dead and 137 prisoners.

Japanese booty included 685 rifles, 79,292 rounds of ammunition, seven trench mortars, 76 shells, three heavy machine guns, 31 light machine guns, 30 automatic rifles and 1,894 hand grenades.—Domei.

British Ambassador Sees Gen. Chiang

Chungking, Apr. 23.

Sir Archibald Kerr, British Ambassador to China, called on General Chiang Kai-shek yesterday at 5 p.m., when the Ambassador was entertained at tea by the Chinese Generalissimo.—Reuter.

Foochow Bombed By Japanese

Raids Carried Out Over A Wide Area Along Coast And Inland

Japanese naval aircraft made a surprise attack on Foochow in eastern Fukien on Friday, blew up a military equipment bureau, a number of military establishments and strafed two large steam launches, causing them to run aground, the Japanese China Sea Fleet headquarters asserted in a communique issued here yesterday afternoon. A big fire started along the waterfront, the statement said.

Co-operating with naval landing parties which attacked Chinmen Island off Amoy in southern Fukien a few days ago and are now engaged in mopping-up operations, a naval air squadron on Friday raided villages being used as Chinese bases on the opposite coast of Chinmen Island and caused heavy damage, according to the communique.

Operating in Central China, naval aircraft on Saturday raided Neisiang in south-western Honan in two squadrons and bombed the aerodrome and military structures in the city, causing three large fires, the statement continued. All the planes returned to their bases in spite of intense anti-aircraft attacks, the communique claimed.

Wenchow Wharves Attacked

Assigned to bomb important aerodromes in Chekiang, Kiangsi and Fukien, a naval air unit attacked aerodromes at Lishui in southern Chekiang on the bank of the Ou River, Chuhsien in western Chekiang, Kienow in northern Fukien, and Yushan in north-eastern Kiangsi.

Wharves at Wenchow in south-eastern Chekiang and military buildings at Kweiki in north-eastern Kiangsi also were bombed and heavy damage done, all the raiders returning to their bases, the statement said.

Another unit of naval raiders made a scouting and bombing flight over the areas of Chenhai and Ningpo in north-eastern Chekiang, and bombed the Weiyuan Fort and military establishments in the vicinity, causing considerable destruction, the communique concluded.

New Bishop of London

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Apr. 24.

His Majesty has nominated the Right Reverend Geoffrey Francis Fisher, Lord Bishop of Chester, for election by the Dean and Chapter as Bishop of London in place of Dr. Winnington Ingram, who is shortly retiring.—Reuter.

World News in Brief

London, Apr. 22.—There will be a meeting of the Cabinet on Monday to enable the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir John Simon, to disclose the budget proposals which he will make in the House of Commons on Tuesday.—Wireless through Reuter.

Luxemburg, Apr. 23.—The Duchy of Luxemburg today celebrated its 100th year of independence. This morning the Grand-Duchess, accompanied by Prince Felix and Prince John, reviewed the troops. At 11 a.m. a mass was celeorated in the Cathedral.—Havas.

Saulte Ste. Marie, Apr. 23.—Royal Canadian Mounted Police today patrolled the Canadian ship canal, the international bridge and the Saulte Ste. Marie power house, following the discovery of fifty sticks of dynamite in a little-used warehouse. The ship canal connects Lake Huron and Lake Superior in the Great Lakes highway. The police had been warned of possible attempts to damage the canal.—United Press.

Chungking, Apr. 23.—The National People's Congress, which was originally scheduled to meet once in three months, will now meet once in six months. The next meeting of the Congress, originally scheduled in May, will be held in August. The Congress, which had formerly met under Mr. Wang Ching-wei, deposed President of the Executive Yuan, will assemble under the chairmanship of General Chiang Kai-shek, following the expulsion of Mr. Wang from the Party and his dismissal from all posts.—Reuter.

Mexico to Construct Pipeline Linking Oil Fields to Pacific Coast

New Scheme Will Facilitate Handling Mexican Oil Exports to Japan and Far East

Mexico City, Apr. 23.

The Mexican Government have decided upon the construction of a new pipeline, linking the oil fields of Eastern Mexico with the Pacific coast. This scheme, which also involves the construction of new refining and pumping plants, aims at facilitating Mexican oil exports to the Far East and especially to Japan.

The project has been contemplated ever since the expropriation of foreign oil concerns, but no decision had been taken so far on account of the huge expense involved. It has been estimated that the completion of the pipeline and the development of the harbour of Salina Cruz, on the Pacific coast, will require at least 15 million Mexican Pesos.

However, the financial difficulties have been overcome and technicians are already carrying on preliminary studies, notably at Salina Cruz. The machinery which will be used for the construction of the pipeline is of German make and was secured by Mexico some months ago, as a result of her barter agreement with the Reich.

The line will run from the rich oil fields of Minatitlan, in the state of Vera-Cruz to the Atlantic coast, where the oil will be treated by the important refinery plants already in existence there. Then, it will be sent through the isthmus of Tenuantepec to Salina Cruz. The pipeline will run along the railway connecting Vera-Cruz with Salina Cruz.

The development of this latter harbour will necessitate heavy expenses, as in its present state, Salina Cruz cannot accommodate tankers of any importance. According to well-formed circles here, Germany has already promised her help for the achievement of these gigantic works.—Havas.

Complete U.S. Isolation Not Possible

Agriculture Secretary's Warning to Nation

Washington, Apr. 23.

The Secretary of Agriculture, Mr. Henry Wallace, warned the nation last night that complete isolation for the United States is no longer possible. Addressing a Jefferson Day dinner attended by many high Government officials, Mr. Wallace declared that a "conquering dictator is shaking the world" and condemned Chancellor Hitler's disturbance of the peace of Europe.

Mr. Wallace urged the Democracies to make common cause of preserving world peace. He said Thomas Jefferson, when President of the United States, discovered the impossibility of the United States remaining fully aloof from European controversies. "If that was true in Jefferson's time, when it required six weeks to cross the Atlantic, how much more is it true today," he said.

His speech was one of the most outspoken attacks on isolationist sentiment heard in the United States from a high government official in many years.

Observers speculated whether Mr. Wallace indirectly was advocating adherence to the proposed collective security pact proposed to Britain and France by the Soviet Union. The pact would include responsibilities in the Far East.

Neutrality Legislation

The Senate Foreign Relations Committee will begin private deliberations this week in the hope of compromising differences regarding proposed revision of the nation's neutrality legislation.

Senator Key Pittman, chairman of the Committee, may see his "cash and carry" proposal made the basis of compromise between the isolationists and those seeking to keep the channels of trade free and open in time of war.

The Committee yesterday completed two weeks of public hearings on proposed changes in neutrality legislation which resulted in the expression of a broad set of views by various persons called upon to testify.

Congressional circles were unable to predict the probable outcome of efforts to revise the neutrality legislation but the opinion was expressed in some quarters that the differences of opinion were so great that a solution to the question might not be found in the present session of Congress.—United Press.

What Would Happen During War

Washington, Apr. 22.

Two million dollars worth of orders have been placed with six American firms by President Roosevelt, the War Department announced today. Such orders are intended to "train them" to the work of making war material.

These firms will have to equip themselves especially for mass production of gas masks, new semi-automatic rifles, projectors, anti-aircraftgun recoil apparatus, field-gun shells etc. Since the Great War, these are the first orders placed by the Government in the line of armaments.

A full report outlining a series of financial measures to be taken by the United States in case of a European war was submitted by Treasury experts to President Roosevelt last night.

A well informed source stated that the report, is based on two assumptions: in case of a sudden outbreak of war, the U.S. Government would close all Stock Exchanges for a long period in order to enable the markets to regain a self control. In case of a gradual but slow deterioration of the European situation, the report recommends a series of measures aiming to eliminate any possible disturbance in the economic life of the country and to encourage "business as usual."

The report further insists on the necessity of preserving the normal functioning of the Anglo-French-American monetary agreement as long as gold movements between the three countries remain free.

Mobilizing Gold

Financial quarters, commenting on this report, asserted yesterday that the Treasury would facilitate the application of any measure to be decided by Britain and France aiming to "mobilize" the gold and security holdings of their respective nationals in the United States.

However, the same quarters added, such a policy would meet with certain difficulties since American legislation does not provide for a Government control of bearer securities, and a special Act would have to be voted by Congress.—Havas.

Navy Seeks New Dry Dock

Washington, Apr. 23.

In a report to Congress made public here yesterday, the Navy Department recommended that the Huger's Point dry dock at San Francisco be added to the national defence system. The project proposed by the Navy would cost approximately U.S. $6,000,000.

The report also recommended that over-age ships be retained in full commission even after their replacement by construction authorized by the Vinson Act.—United Press.

Foreign Indebtedness On Chinese Railways

Question Must Be Decided By Japanese Government

Tokyo, Apr. 23.

A question of the disposal of foreign indebtedness of railways in China must be decided entirely by the Japanese Government, Mr. Sonyu Otani, president of the North China Development Company, told newspapermen here yesterday.

He said no decision had been reached yet as to what extent North China railways will contribute a share of profits to the Government.

He forecast that transportation enterprises in North China might not prove profitable in 1939, 1940 and 1941, but believed that after 1941 conditions should prove satisfactory, especially as Manchoukuo state railways were yielding a satisfactory return earlier than was expected, and in view of the fact that North China's population is denser than that of Manchuria.—Domei.

Impressive Military Parade at St. George's Day Service

Regimental Colour of 2nd Battalion, East Surrey Regiment Blessed; Wreath-Laying Ceremony

ST. George's Day, 1939, which was celebrated in traditional style by Englishmen throughout the world yesterday, will long be remembered in Shanghai as one of the most impressive observances of England's national day to have been witnessed in the city for many years. This year a special feature of the celebrations, which were held under the joint auspices of the Royal Society of St. George (Shanghai Branch) and the 2nd. Battalion, The East Surrey Regiment, was the presence at the impressive service held at 10.30 a.m. at Holy Trinity Cathedral of two companies of the British Regiment, who paraded behind their Regimental Colour, which was placed upon the Altar and blessed by Dean A.C.S. Trivett. Also attending the service was a detachment of sailors and Royal Marines from the British cruiser, H.M.S. Dorsetshire, who, in addition to celebrating St. George's Day, also observed the anniversary of the gallant British naval attack on Zeebrugge on April 22, 1918.

Attending the service were Sir Allan Mossop, Chief Judge of H.M. Supreme Court in China, Sir Herbert Phillips, H.M. Consul-General, and Miss Phillips, Major G. E. Swinton, commanding the 2nd. Battalion, The East Surrey Regiment, Lieut.-Col. R. A. Wolfe Murray, acting G. O. C. British Forces in Shanghai, Capt. F. R. Barry of H.M.S. Dorsetshire, Paymaster Commander E. A. Jolley, Resident Naval Officer, and a distinguished assembly of other naval and military officers from the British Forces in the city. From St. George's Society there were present Major J. T. E. Ford, the President, the Committee members and many other members of the Society.

The observances commenced with the annual wreath-laying ceremony which was held at the Cenotaph on the Bund at 9.30 a.m. Here were gathered members of the Royal Society of St. George under their President, Major Ford, and two officers and twelve other ranks from the East Surreys, together with the Drum Major and six buglers from the Regiment. Wreaths were laid on the Cenotaph by Major Ford and by the East Surreys, and during the course of the impressive ceremony, "Last Post" and "Reveille" were sounded by the buglers.

Shortly before 10.30 a.m. the East Surrey companies taking part in the Church Parade formed up at the Customs Jetty where they had dismounted from S.V.C. lorries which had transported them from their billets in Great Western Road. From here, headed by the band, drums and bugles, the soldiers in Church Parade order marched behind their Colour which, in accordance with British traditions, was carried by a subaltern and escorted by a colour party with rifles and fixed bayonets.

Colour Blessed

As the soldiers entered the Cathedral grounds large crowds witnessed their arrival, the Colour Party standing at attention as the troops entered the Church to take their seats on the north side of the building, immediately behind the naval detachment, which had marched in a few minutes earlier. After the last of the soldiers had entered the Church, the band filed inside to take up its position prior to playing a voluntary as members of the Royal Society of St. George and others took their places.

Immediately following the processional hymn, "The Son of God goes forth to war," the subaltern carrying the Colour marched down the centre aisle to a position on the steps beneath the Sanctuary, where he knelt before delivering the Colour to the Dean, who, prior to depositing it on the Altar, pronounced a blessing.

The Colour having been placed on the Altar, the Dean took up a position between the choir stalls, facing the congregation, while the President and members of the Committee of the Royal Society of St. George were conducted from their seats to the choir.

Form of Service

When they were in their places the Dean stated "You are right welcome, Mr. President and members of the Committee of the Royal Society of St. George, in the name of God, to this Cathedral Church. We rejoice that you are come hither, and would gladly know how we may serve you." The President of the Society then replied "We are come to ask the help of God, and the guidance of his Spirit, in the discharge of our duties as the elected Committee of the Royal Society of St. George, that therein we may faithfully serve Him and our fellow citizens."

"From the constitution of the Royal Society of St. George," said the Dean, "I see that it has as its principal object the relief of those in need or difficulty and the promotion of fellowship and good will! These are truly Christian duties and it is very fitting that we should seek the help of God and the guidance of His spirit." I would therefore invite you to join with me in a service prepared from an old form, hallowed by many years of usage in the ancient guilds of our Homeland."

After responses and prayers, ending with the prayer of re-dedication, the hymn "Soldiers of Christ Arise" was sung, followed by the reading of the first Lesson, Psalm 37, 1-24, by the President of the Royal Society of St. George. The choir then sang the anthem, "Let the bright Seraphim in burning row," and this was followed by the reading of the second Lesson, Ephesians, 4; 17-5.2, by Sir Allan Mossop.

Glorious History

Further prayers, including the General Thanksgiving and "St. Chrysostom" were offered, the sermon being preceded by the hymn "Eternal Father Strong to Save." During his sermon, which is printed in full on Page 12, Dean A.C.S. Trivett took as his text "St. George for England," and he referred to the glorious history of the East Surrey Regiment and to the gallant naval action at Zeebrugge.

The Choir and congregation then rose and sang the hymn appropriate for St. George's Day, "Jesus, Lord of Our Salvation." The pronouncing of the Blessing and the National Anthem brought the service to a close and the congregation remained standing as the Colour was marched out of the Church to be met with a general salute from the Colour Party, which had assembled outside the Cathedral doors.

The soldiers and sailors then filed out of the Church, the sailors marching back to their ship, while the East Surreys with their Colour Party and band formed up in Kiukiang Road for the march back to the Customs Jetty.

March Past

To the rousing strains of a march, the East Surreys swung along Kiangse Road, being watched by large crowds on each side of the road, as the salute was taken immediately in front of the Cathedral by Sir Herbert Phillips, who was accompanied by Lieut.-Col. Wolfe Murray, members of the Royal Society of St. George and naval and military officers. At the Customs Jetty the Colour was lowered and the parade dismissed prior to entering the S.V.C. lorries which conveyed the men back to their billets.

Following the service the local celebrations of St. George's Day came to an end, other observance having included the St. George's Ball held at the Cercle Sportif Français on Friday and a children's party at the Country Club on Saturday. For the East Surreys, however, the service was the commencement of their own Regimental Day and today the Great Western Road camp will assume a decorative and festive air for a fun-fair is to be held there this morning. Keen competition is expected among the men, for prizes are to be awarded for the best decorated stalls.

A special midday "dinner"—there is no "tiffin" in the British Army—will be served to all members of the Regiment in honour of the occasion and in the evening a Regimental Concert party will entertain the troops.

Shanghai Municipal Orchestra

I would like to correct a misunderstanding which seems to have arisen over the remarks made in last week's notes about the woodwind of the Mozart Symphony. The fault is partly mine, for I should have mentioned that there are two versions of the G minor (K. 550; 1788): the original had no clarinet parts, but these were added later by the composer. I naturally assumed that the Municipal Orchestra was playing the later version, particularly so in view of the historical evidence which is available.

The history of Mozart and the clarinet is interesting. He first met with it as an orchestral instrument at Mannheim, and shortly afterwards, in a letter written on December 3, 1778 to his father, he said "....you cannot imagine what a wonderful effect a symphony with flutes, oboes and clarinets makes." These words, note, were written ten years before the composition of the G minor symphony. As to whether the work should be played with or without clarinets, it seems only necessary to mention that:

a: Mozart was partial to the clarinet, and

b: he added clarinet parts in a revision of the G minor.

Finally, it should be remembered that the "Paris" Symphony (K.297; 1778) also contained clarinet parts.

It may be presumed that the continued illness of the clarinet provided the opportunity of working off a few more of the classics. There were fewer people upstairs yesterday than usual: is this a portent?

The most attractive music on the programme was undoubtedly the Prelude and Allegro of Pugnani-Kreisler, and some more Corelli-Gemeniani, all of which was played with consummate skill by Mr. Foa. The Third Brandenburger of Bach would have been better had there been more of an effort in collective tuning. With a competent gathering (which yesterday's was), once started, this music is carried along effortlessly on its own momentum.

After that there was a lightweight Mozart work, the concerto for flute and harp—admirably played by Messrs. Biriulin and Giradello. This was a commissioned opus (well, self-commissioned), designed to tickle the fancy of the Duc de Guisnes and his daughter. Former played the flute, latter harp. We are told that Mozart had no particular leaning towards either the flute or harp, and we are more than inclined to agree. It is a pity that Miss de G. didn't play the clavier instead of the harp for this might have improved things. As it is, the part assigned to the harp, particularly in its effort to emulate the lissom ease and liquidity of the flute is laborious and unconvincing. One cannot escape the thought that harp playing in those days was a genteel drawing room accomplishment, with music to match. Samuel Erard contrived a reincarnation of the instrument about 1810, and the stage was set for the double-action chromatic harp. Colour and effect was to be its chief attribute from then on. Wagner used six at a time; Debussy two, and hardly a modern "impressionist" left it out of his score.

Finally, the Orchestra romped through the "Surprise" symphony of Haydn in a splendid fashion.—H.

German Sets New World Glider Record

Berlin, Apr. 23.

A new world record in long distance glider flight has been established by a German named Braeutigam, belonging to the National Socialist flying corps.

Accompanied by his instructor, Braeutigam started from the gliding school at Gross-Rueckerswalde near Chemnitz in Saxony in a machine of the "Kranich" type and after a flight of 5½ hours over Bohemia, Moravia and Austria landed at the Vienna aerodrome of Aspern. The distance from Gross-Rueckerswalde to the Aspern aerodrome in a straight line is 372 kilometres.—Trans-Ocean.

Hungjao Becoming Cyclists' Mecca

Smooth Paths and Stone Bridges Make Cycling A Pleasurable Pastime

There is a certain exaltation that seizes any of us when we are faced with the necessity of choosing between two roads both of which lead to unknown destinations. Though the choice may involve nothing more than two footpaths in Hungjao, there is still a sneaking feeling that Marco Polo must have felt a little like this when he made some momentous decision between a journey which lay thousands of miles over desert wastes and a voyage through uncharted seas. Death might be the penalty if he made a mistake, but for the Shanghai cyclist poor luck can bring nothing worse than an unbridged stream.

Cyclists are to be seen in increasing numbers taking advantage of the opportunity a week end of sunshine offers for jaunts into Hungjao and the surrounding countryside. Novices on pedals, who are still unable to prevent their iron ponies from engaging in uncalled-for capers, are advised to keep to the main roads as abundant space is necessary if the sickening swerves every beginner must experience are not to result in the removal of assorted portions of epidermal tissue. The more adept however, may make many pleasant sidetrips into unexplored regions where the uncertainity of destination only makes the adventure more interesting.

Bicycles For Rent

New bicycles may be rented from any of the larger cycle shops in Shanghai for sums ranging all the way from 15 to 25 cents, and it is advisable, before taking a cycle out of the shop to see that the tires and brakes are in good condition. There is nothing invigorating about walking several miles along narrow country paths with an ailing machine which, whether pushed, pulled, or carried, must be returned to its always innocent owner. Neither is the sensation a pleasant one when, faced with a sudden curve while winging along with the breeze, one suddenly finds his brakes not in order and goes bouncing painfully through a field of large firm cabbages.

For anyone who is tired of the usual sights and sounds in Shanghai, too poor to hire a horse and too lazy to walk, cars being out of the question for anyone who wishes to see the country properly, the cycle is the only alternative. Possible routes are many, one of the best may be taken by turning south from the end of the strip of cement pavement which leads south from Hungjao cemetery. One can cycle miles across country keeping to footpaths which, though not very wide, are smooth enough to negotiate without difficulty. This region is especially suitable for such outings, as most of the streams in the vicinity are bridged at frequent intervals so that the cyclist is seldom faced with a choice of placing his mechanical steed on his back and going for a wade or of beating an ignominious retreat through familiar territory.

"Follow—The—Leader"

Of diversions other than contemplation of the landscape which eventually palls on all but the most poetic, "follow—the—leader" tops the list. Stone bridges, about a foot in width, afford ample opportunity for any courageous individual who wished to impress female companions with his skill at the handle bars. It is no mean feat to negotiate one of these bridges, often ridged and worn by constant use, without dismounting. A spill under such circumstances is not likely to prove serious, but it can be exceedingly disagreeable.

Considerable speed may be attained while pedalling along unknown by-paths, and the right angle turns which spring up from nowhere, should develop fast thinking on the part of even the most dull-witted, at least it is to be hoped so. It is often better to work off wanderlust on a bicycle than to sit in a chair and exercise only the imaginations while immersed in a volume of someone else's adventures.

Forged Hongkew Passes Discovered

Police Search for Alleged French Author

Acting upon the complaint of the Japanese authorities, the Settlement and Concession Police are looking for a Frenchman alleged to have printed and sold counterfeit passes to Chinese for entry to Hongkew and Yangtzepoo, the "Tairiku Shimpo" said yesterday.

The counterfeit passes were discovered because of their difference in colour with those being issued by the Shanghai Municipal Council this year, the paper said. The first counterfeit pass was discovered last Wednesday on the Garden Bridge. In the following two days more than 20 of the same type were found.

Questioned, their bearers were alleged by "Tairiku Shimpo" to have stated they had bought them for $10 each from "a certain Frenchman." A police raid upon the reported domicile of this Frenchman was said by the "Tairiku Shimpo" to have been fruitless as the suspect had already fled.

Leaders Give Swords To Shrine

Interesting Ceremony at Kiangwan Road Today

With high Japanese Army and Navy officers in attendance, three swords dedicated to the Shanghai Jinja, Shinto shrine on Kiangwan Road, will be officially presented in a ceremony at 10 o'clock this morning, the "Tairiku Shimpo" reported yesterday.

The swords were donated by Lieut.-Gen. Prince Yasuhiko Asaka, a member of the Supreme Military Council; Gen. Iwane Matsui, former commander-in-chief to the Japanese Expeditionary Force to Shanghai, and Gen. Shunroku Hata, until last year commander-in-chief of the Japanese Expeditionary Force to Central China. The swords were brought here by Mr. Hikosaburo Kurihara, a swordsmith.

Chinese Seek Uniform Materials

Manchester, Apr. 23.

The Chinese Government has again made urgent inquiries here for 20,000,000 yards of cotton goods suitable for military uniforms, it was revealed last night. The proposed order would amount to £500,000 in addition to £30,000 for 1,250,000 yards of khaki blue and white drills, also required for uniforms.—United Press.

Chungking Lodges Flag Protest

Dissatisfaction at French Concession Action

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs at Chungking has formally lodged a protest with the French Ambassador to China against the removal of Chinese national flags in the French Concession in Shanghai last week when the flags were hoisted to celebrate the opening of the general spiritual mobilization campaign.

Although the incident has been settled locally, the Ministry is reported by a message from Chungking to be still dissatisfied and wishes the French authorities to guarantee against its repetition. It is revealed that prior to the latest incident the Ministry has twice made representations against similar incidents.

Local Chinese reports indicate that the incident has not yet been completely settled as some persons arrested in connection with the incident are still being detained and that flags taken down by the French police have not yet been returned. It is expected, however, that these flags will be returned to-morrow to the Chinese Ratepayers Association in the French Concession.

Chinese residents in the Concession wish that the incident will be settled completely, for next month tehre will be many occasions when flag display is necessary. They are reported to have urged the ratepayers association to conduct further negotiations in order to reach a "rational" settlement. It was previously reported that wishing to maintain strict neutrality authorities of the French Concession here would not allow the flying of Chinese flags on any occasions excepting the Chinese national holiday.

Japanese to Restrict Visits to Ships

Move to Prevent Congestion In Shanghai

Restrictions have been imposed on visiting on board Japanese ships plying between Japan and China on their arrival in Shanghai to relieve congestion, effective yesterday local Japanese newspapers said Saturday evening.

Japanese authorities have decided to prohibit visiting on board the vessels by all persons who do not come under the following classifications:

Military or naval officers and men and officials in uniform;

Government or public officials in uniform;

Employees of shipping companies;

Persons desiring to go aboard for special reasons, including foreigners;

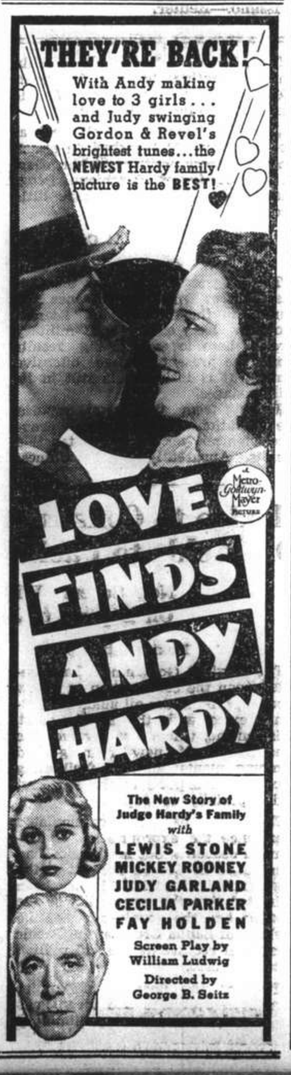
Employees of hotels and vendors of commodities needed on the ships who are in possession of permits issued by the Shiga Detachment

Carriers of passengers' baggage or coolies attached to shipping companies given permits by the Shiga Detachment.

Madrid Victory Parade On May 15

Burgos, Apr. 23.

The Spanish Government announced last night that victory celebrations would be held throughout Spain on May 14 and 15, centring around Madrid where Generalissimo Francisco Franco will stage a victorious entry.—United Press.



Illegal Bus Line Stopped

Japanese End Activities of Unlicensed Foreign Venture In Hongkew

After a ten-day boom, a "bootleg" motor bus line, operating three vehicles between Yangtszepoo and the Garden Bridge, recently was put out of business by the Japanese military police, the "Tairiku Shimpo" reported yesterday.

A bus, mounted on a 1930 Ford chassis, was first noticed operating along Broadway and Yangtszepoo Road on April 7. The Japanese authorities, believing that it was a private vehicle operated by a foreign factory for the transportation of its employees paid no attention to it. Soon, two more vehicles of the same type began making their appearance.

One day, the Japanese paper said, a plain clothes Japanese military policeman, accompanied by a Chinese, boarded one of the busses. They were charged six cents per person for the run. Busses operated by the Central China Urban Motor Transit Co., a Japanese firm, charge 10 cents for the same distance.

The owner as well as the drivers were foreigners according to the "Tairiku Shimpo." Japanese military and naval authorities, the paper said, were taking a serious view of the case as sentries along the route had permitted the busses to pass without questioning believing that they were being operated privately by a bona-fide foreign firm for the benefit of its employees, inasmuch as the drivers were Occidentals. Public busses are subject to search if carrying Chinese passengers.

Hangchow Phone Link To Re-open

Service with Shanghai Is Restored

Rapidly extending the scope of the restored inter-urban telephone network in the lower Yangtze, the Central China Telecommunications Company, will include Hangchow to the list of cities with which communication can be established from Shanghai on Tuesday, the Shanghai "Mainichi" reported yesterday.

A three-minute call between Shanghai and Hangchow will cost 65 sen, while that of a Hangchow-Nanking call will be 90 sen. Chinkiang, Soochow, Wusih, and Wukiang are already on the interurban circuit.

Chungking to Control Food Prices

Chungking, Apr. 23.

In order to prevent certain increases in the price of foodstuffs in Chinese territory through the speculation of profiteers, General Chiang Kai-shek has appointed a special committee which has been entrusted with the task of reducing the price of food to a level which the population can afford to pay.—Trans-Ocean.

Chinese May Close Port of Wenchow

Japanese Bomb and Shell Chekiang City

Having already closed Ningpo to shipping, Chinese military authorities may soon find it necessary to close Wenchow because of the threatened Japanese attack. The closing of the district will affect Shanghai seriously for since the closing of Chinghai, riverport gateway to Ningpo, Wenchow has been the trade centre between Shanghai and Chekiang.

Wenchow was bombed from air on Thursday and shelled on Saturday while eight bombs were dropped by Japanese 'planes on Chinghai also on Saturday. No details regarding damage could be obtained locally yesterday.

Chinese military authorities in Wenchow are reported to have asked all steamers anchored off Wenchow to sail to other places and those sailing to the district have been advised not to do so. An Italian steamer which is reported to have been detained and searched by the Japanese off Wenchow was still detained yesterday.

Two Shanghai steamers, however, sailed to Wenchow yesterday but it is questionable that they can reach their destination. A German steamer which had been notified by its agents in Wenchow of the impending closing of the district did not leave here yesterday.

Tokyo Nurses Prefer Marriage

Pay Too Low To Cotinue In Profession

Tokyo, Apr. 22.

Because they consider the wages they are receiving are too low, about 10,587 qualified nurses in Tokyo Prefecture have turned to other work, married or remained idle, in spite of the great demand for their services.

An official investigation shows that of 33,205 qualified nurses in the Tokyo area, only 22,618 are practicing. The authorities hope to remedy the shortage this spring, as dysentery and other diseases are spreading rapidly. They will try to encourage more girls to enter the profession, and relax the severity of the qualifying examinations.—Reuter.

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Fourth Marines Church

The Metropol Theatre was the scene yesterday morning of the church service and concert programme conducted by the Fourth U.S. Marines. The worship service was conducted by Chaplain R. R. Marken of the Fourth Marines, who delivered a highly interesting sermon, preaching on the theme "Morning, Noon and Evening." The Fourth Marines' Band opened the service with the prelude "We Would See Jesus" by Warner and for the offertory played the beautiful selection "Another Dawning" by Havergal. As a special musical feature of the service, a saxophone quartet consisting of members of the band, rendered Barnby's lovely melody "Lead Us, Father." Hymns sung in the service were led by Sergeant Sheehan with the Band furnishing the accompaniment.

Bandmaster Levis E. Giffin conducted the Fourth Marines' Band in another outstanding programme of concert selections immediately following the service, introducing the programme with the noted overture "Martha" by Von Flotow and also playing Fliege's patrol "Chinoise." Other selections rendered by the band included Gounod's stirring marche "La Reine de Saba" the Marines' Hymn and the American National Anthem.

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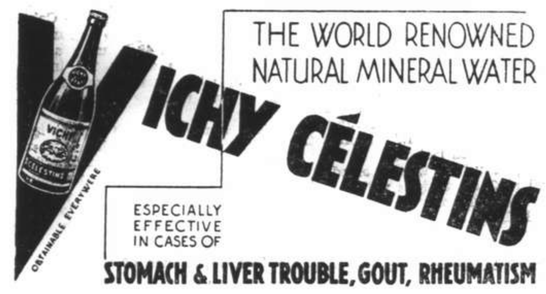

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Foreign Money Rates

London:		Apr. 22.
Fine Bank Bills,	3 months	1 11/32%
Bank Bills,	6 months	2¼%
Fine Trade Bills,	3 months	3¼%
Fine Trade Bills,	6 months	3¾%
Call Money		0½%

New York: Closed.—Reuter.

Foreign Exchanges

Bombay, Rupee T. T. on:			Apr. 22.
Japan	78½	London	1/5 29/32
New York	286¼	2 mths	
Shanghai	48	.. (sellers)	1/5 31/32
Hongkong	84¼	,, (buyers)	1/5 29/32

London £ Sterling T. T. on:			
New York	468.00	Berne	20.86½
Paris	176.73	Shanghai	8⅜d N
Berlin	11.67	Bombay	1/5 31/32
Amsterdam	8.81½	Hongkong	1/2¾
Brussels	27.85	Singapore	2/3 31/32
Madrid	42.25	Yokohama	1/2
Milan	88.95	,, (Buying)	Unq.

New York U.S.$ T. T. on:			
Berlin	40.10	Japan	27.31
Spain	Unq.	Shanghai	16.18
Holland	53.09	Austria	Unq.
Paris	2.64 13/16	C'slovakia	Unq.
Brussels	16.81	Hungary	19.80
Italy	5.26¼	Rumania	0.72½
S'zerland	22.43	Yugo Slavia	2.30
Sweden	24.10½	Greece	0.85⅛
Norway	23.52	Bulgaria	1.20
Denmark	20.89½	Finland	2.06¾
Montreal	99.530	Poland	18.82
Brazil	5.50		

London	4.68 1/16
,, Demand	4.67 13/16
,, Bankers' 60 Days Bills	4.67 11/16
,, Commercial 60 Days Bills	4.67 11/16
Buenos Aires Paper	29.03
Buenos Aires, market rate	23.15
Montreal on London	4.70⅛

—Reuter.

Bombay Cotton Market

Bombay, Apr. 22.

Lethargic conditions prevailed in the Bombay cotton market during the past week, owing to general prevailing uncertainties. The new April/May discount is tending to narrow, due to speculative transfers from old to new crops.

The opinion is prevailing that the American export subsidy will prove more bearish for the old crop rather than the new.

Although a little business has booked for the Far East, enquiries have been poor, with Lancashire and the Continent showing no interests.

In the spot markets, shippers continue to cover previous commitments for Far Eastern accounts, which had a steadying influence on the basis.—Reuter.

Berlin Bourse

Berlin, Apr. 22.

The marked improvement that set in on the share market yesterday, continued today despite the usual weekend disposition of operators to unload holdings. This improvement was due in part to numerous announcements of increased dividends, notably by Deutsche Kabel and Elsaessisch-Badische Wollfabrik, in part also to the impression made by remarks at the shareholders meeting of the Deutsche Ueberseeische Bank pointing out the almost limitless opportunities for the German industry to help in repairing the devastation in Spain caused by the civil war.

Fixed interest securities were quiet, the market being in a friendly mood but prices changed little.

Call money stood at 1⅞ to 2⅛ per cent.—Trans-Ocean.

U.S. Commodities

Saturday's Closing Quotations

New York, Apr. 22.

A higher opening was recorded for the cotton market on new buying and trade demand. Later, values further hardened and closed with quotations ruling from 4 points down to 9 points up. Trading was generally featureless, consisting principally of switching operations and May liquidation.

The market proved to be a trading affair. Some profit taking was in evidence, but, on the whole, news was featureless. Final quotations showed losses ruling from 2 to 7 points.

Wheat prices in Chicago presented a steady appearance. There was a good demand from shorts, while the steadiness of overseas cables helped sentiment. At the final bell, gains ranging from ⅛ to ¼ cent were recorded.

New York Cotton			New York Rubber		
May	8.13-14	—04	May	15.72-73	—07
July	7.90-91	+03	July	15.83-85	—04
				B/A	
Oct.	7.55-56	+09			
Dec.	7.45-45	+08	Sept.	15.84-87	—07
				B/A	
Jan.	7.45-N	+08			
Mar.	7.51-52	+08	Dec.	15.87-88	—02
				B/A	

New York Sugar No. 4		New York Silk
May 1.33½-34	+1½	Closed
B/A		
July 1.31½-32	+1⅜	

Chicago Wheat			Chicago Corn		
May	69⅜-69¼	+⅛	May	49-49⅛	—¼
July	68¼-68⅛	+¼	July	50¼-50⅜	—¼
Sept.	68¾-68¾	+¼	Sept.	51-51	—¼

Winnipeg Wheat		
May	61⅛-61⅛	+⅛
July	62⅛-62¼	—⅛
Oct.	63⅜-62½	unc.

B-Bid. A-Asked.—Reuter.

British Commodities

Saturday's Closing Quotations

London, Apr. 22.

The jute market ruled very firm today in response to the continued strength of Calcutta advices, with the advance restricting business.

London Rubber: Spot buyers 7 13/16 unc; sellers 8, unc. May del. buyers 7 15/16 unc; sellers 8 unc.

London Sugar (buyers): May 7/2¾ +½; Aug. 6/11¾ unc.; Dec. 6/4 unc.

Liverpool Wheat (N.C.): May 4/2½ —⅛; July 4/4½ +¼; Oct. 4/6½ +¼.

Liverpool Cotton: American Futures: May 4.63 +3; July 4.39 +3; Oct. 4.23 +3; Jan. 4.24 +3. Egyptian Futures (Giza, F.G.F. No. 7) No. 2 Contract. May 6.41 +2; July 6.49 +1; Sept 6.49 +1; Oct. 6.58 +1.

London Metals: Closed.—Reuter.

London Money Market

London, Apr. 22.

Some scarcity of funds available for overnight loans was noticeable for most of the week in the London money market, but latterly supplies became more plentiful.

With the international tension less acute and increasing applications for Treasury bills, discount rates are now receding from the recent high levels.

The average rate for this week's Treasury bills was a shade over 1 5/16 per cent., compared to 1 5/16 per cent. a week ago.—Reuter.

Australia Imports Wool

Canberra, Australia, Apr. 22.

Importing wool to Australia, the world's greatest wool country, is something like "carrying coals to Newcastle." Australia is obliged to import coarser wool than that which it produces to mix with the fine and superfine merinos for certain lines of fabrics.—United Press.

New York Stocks

Saturday's Closing Quotations

New York, Apr. 22.

Very dull conditions prevailed on Wall Street today, with price changes confined to a very narrow range. After opening higher, the market declined on a diminishing volume and, on balance, closing quotations were under the opening levels. There was very little interest shown, with most operators preferring to keep to the sidelines. The volume of trading amounted to 150,000 shares.—Reuter

Dow-Jones Averages

	High	Low	Close	Changes
30 Indust.	129.01	128.32	128.55	—0.16
20 Rails	25.81	25.72	25.73	—0.02
15 Utilit.	22.37	22.26	22.29	—0.03
40 Bonds	—	—	86.13	+0.10
11 Commod.	—	—	47.22	+0.14

	Apr. 21	22
Adams Express	7¼	7⅛
Alleghany Ludlum Steel	16½	16⅜
Allied Stores	7¾	7⅝
Allis Chalmers	32⅛	32
Amerada Corp.	60	63
Amer. Can	90¾	91
Amer. & For. Power	2⅜	2⅜
,, ,, $7 pfd.	14¾	B 14⅜
Amer. Gas & Electric	33¾	33¾
Amer. Locomotive	17⅝	17¾
Amer. Metal	B 28	B 28¼
Amer. Radiator	12	12
Amer. Rolling Mill	13½	13½
Amer. Smelting	40	39⅝
Amer. Sugar Refining	17½	18
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	156½	157½
Amer. Tobacco "B"	77½	—
Amer. Waterworks	9⅜	9⅜
Anaconda Copper	23	23¼
Atchison, T. & S. Fe	27¼	27⅛
Auburn	—	—
Baltimore & Ohio	5⅛	5⅛
Barber Asphalt Corp.	13	B 13⅛
Barnsdall Oil Co.	14⅛	14
Bendix Aviation	20¼	20⅛
Bethlehem Steel	56¼	55⅞
Boeing Airplane Co.	21⅛	21¼
Borg Warner	22¼	22¼
Briggs Mfg. Co.	19⅝	19½
Bklyn-Manhattan Trans.	10	10½
,, ,, $6 cum. pfd.	37⅛	37½
Can. Pacific Rly.	3⅝	3¾
Case, J.I.	—	—
Celanese Corp.	16½	16½
Chase Nat. Bank	B 29½	B 30⅛
Chesapeake & Ohio	31⅜	31¼
Chrysler	62½	62⅜
Columbia Gas & Elec.	6⅛	6⅛
,, ,, 6% "A" pfd.	B 82	B 82
Coml. Credit	43¾	—
Comm. & Southern	1¼	1¼
,, ,, $6 cum. pfd.	54¼	53
Consolid. Edison	30	30
Consolid. Oil	7½	7½
Continental Can	37¼	B 36½
Continental Oil	23¾	23
Corn Products	55¾	56
Curtiss Wright	5⅛	5⅛
,, ,, "A"	22⅞	22½
Deere & Co.	18	17¾
Distillers Corp. Seagrams	16¼	16½
Douglas Aircraft	60	60
Du Pont de Nemours	139¾	139
Eagle Picher Lead	8¼	B 8½
Eaton Manufacturing Co.	19⅝	19¾
Elec. Auto Lite	27	B 27¼
Elec. Bond & Share	8⅛	8
,, ,, $5 pfd.	—	—
,, ,, $6 pfd.	63¼	63
Elec. Pwr. & Lt. 7% pfd.	25	24½
Flintkote	19	19¼
Food Machinery Corp.	22½	B 21¾
Gen. Amer. Trans. Corp.	43	42¼
Gen. Electric	34⅞	34¾
Gen. Motors	41⅝	41⅝
Gen. Rly. Signal	16¼	B 16
Glidden Co.	—	—
Goodrich	16⅛	15¾
,, $5 pfd.	61⅞	61
Goodyear Tire & Rubber	25⅛	24¾
Great Nthrn. Iron Ore	13¼	13¼
Great Nthrn. Rly., pfd.	18⅞	19
Great Western Sugar	—	26
Greyhound Corp.	17⅛	17
Hecked Products	10	10
Homestake Min.	—	—
Indus. Rayon	20⅛	B 19¾
Int. Harvester	56	55¾
Int. Nickel	45⅞	45⅜
Int. Tel. & Tel.	7	B 6½
Johns Manville	72½	B 71¼
Jones & Laughlin	B 38¼	B 38¼
Kennecott	30⅞	31
Libby-Owens-Ford Glass	40¾	B 40
Lockheed Aircraft	25	25
Loew's Inc.	39½	39¾
Manhattan Shirt Co.	10¾	—
Martin, Glenn L. Co.	34	34
McKesson & Rob. $3 pfd.	10	9¾
Monsanto Chemical	92¼	B 93
Montgomery Ward	44⅞	44¾
Nat. City Bank	B 23½	B 23⅝
Nat. Dairy Products	15⅛	15⅛
Nat. Distillers	24½	24½
Nat. Gypsum	10⅞	11¼
Nat. Lead	21⅜	21⅛
Nat. Power & Lt.	7⅜	7½
Nat. Steel Corp.	61	B 60
Nat. Supply Co. of Penn.	8⅛	8½
New York Central	13⅞	14
Niagara Hudson Power	6⅞	6¾
North Amer. Aviation	14⅛	14
North Amer. Co.	21½	21⅜
Northern Pacific	8¼	8⅛
Pacific Gas & Elec.	30	30⅛
Pacific Lighting	44	43⅞
Packard Motors	3⅜	3⅜
Paramount Pictures Inc.	8	8⅛
Pennsylvania R.R.	17¾	17⅝
Phelps Dodge	31⅛	31¼
Phillips Petroleum	33½	33¼
Public Serv. of N.J.	34½	34⅝
Pullman Inc.	27	26⅝
Pure Oil	7⅝	7¾
Radio Corp. of Amer.	6¼	6⅜
Republic Steel Co.	15¼	15⅛
Reynolds Tobacco "B"	38½	38¾
Richfield Oil Corp.	7⅝	7¾
Safeway Stores	32¾	32⅛
Schenley	13½	—
,, 5% pfd.	—	—
Sears Roebuck	65¾	66⅜
Seversky Aircraft	4⅜	4⅜
Shell Union Oil	11¼	11¼
Socony-Vacuum	12	11⅞
Sthrn. Pacific	12¼	12¼
Sthrn. Rly., 5% pfd.	19⅝	19⅜
Sperry Corp.	39⅝	39⅞
Stand. Brands	6⅛	6
Stand. Gas & Elec.	2¾	2⅝
Stand. Oil of Calif.	26⅝	26½
Stand. Oil of N.J.	46⅜	46⅜
Stone & Webster	10¼	10⅛
Swift International	26¼	27¼
Technicolor	17⅜	B 17
Texas Corp.	38	37⅝
Texas Gulf Sulphur	28½	28⅝
Transamerica	5⅞	—
Tw. Century Fox Film,	18⅝	18½
,, ,, pfd.	29	—
Un. Carbide & Carbon	74⅛	73⅛
Un. Pacific	87¾	B 87⅝
Un. Aircraft	35½	35⅛
Un. Air Lines Trans.	9⅝	10
Un. Corp.	2⅝	2⅝
,, $3 cum. pfd.	33¼	32¾
Un. Gas Corp.	2	2⅛
Un. Gas Improvement	11⅝	—
U. S. Rubber	35⅝	35⅛
,, ,, 8% n-c pfd.	94	94
U. S. Steel	47½	47⅛
Vanadium	19⅝	19
Warner Bros. Picts.	4⅞	4¾
Westinghouse Elec.	90	89½
Woodward Iron	B 16	16½
BONDS		
Amer. & For.	54	53
Brazil	16¾	16¾
Baltimore & Ohio	19	19¼
Cities Serv. Pwr. & Lt.	78¼	77¾
Erie R.R. 5s 1967	9½	9⅜
Int. Tel. & Tel.	61¼	60¾
Minas Geraes	11¼	10¼
New England Gas & Elec.	60	60¼
Peru 6s 1961	9	9⅛
Rio Grande do Sul	B 10¾	B 10¼
Sao Paulo	B 9⅜	B 9¼
Sthrn. Pacific Co.	44½	43¾
Stand. Gas & Elec. 6s 1951	B 58	58⅛

B—Bid.

Dow-Jones Summary

Courtesy of Swan, Culbertson & Fritz

Principal issues on the Stock Exchange today sagged on another light volume of trading. Initial trading saw values moving irregularly higher, and then sag steadily until around the closing when losses replaced most of the earlier gains, with a few exceptions. No important market news was received today.

Margins on Grains have been increased by the Chicago Board of Trade as follows: Wheat and Rye, 6 cents per bushel Corn 4½ cents per bushel. The increased margin requirements apply to both old and new business in Grains. Calls will be made on a fluctuation of 3 cents for Wheat and Rye, and 2 cents for Corn.

Royal Dutch Pays Interim Dividend

Amsterdam, Apr. 22.

In order to meet the wishes of its shareholders concerning earlier dividend payments, the Royal Dutch Petroleum Company which exploits the oil wells of the Netherlands has decided to pay a second interim dividend for 1938 of eight per cent. The interim dividend paid in January amounted to six per cent. so that this will make altogether interim dividends of 14 per cent. The entire dividend for 1937 was 17 per cent.

The company announces that the balance sheet for 1938 can not yet be drawn up because the balance sheets of the subsidiary companies are still awaited.

At all events, dividends of 14 per cent. are assured but whether there will be a further and final dividend for 1938 remains to be seen.—Trans-Ocean.

Gold Output Up in Oregon

Medford, Ore., Apr. 22.

Hard rock and placer mines of Oregon produced $2,698,500 in gold during 1938, according to figures released this week by the state mining bureau. This was the second largest production in any year since the discovery of gold in 1852, due largely to the increased price for the metal.—United Press.

Japanese Savings

Tokyo, Apr. 22.

Japan's total savings on March 31 amounted to Y.7,080,000,000, the Ministry of Finance announced here yesterday. Officials said they were satisfied with the success of the saving-promotion campaign launched on April 1 last year, which had caused a marked increase in savings.

Bonds valued at Y.4,550,000,000, or Y.500,000,000 less than originally intended, were floated last year. This included an issue of Y.430,000,000 which was placed on sale on March 31.—Domei.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE
Statistical Data Concerning Leading Stocks

By courtesy of Swan, Culbertson & Fritz

Name of Stock (No par value except where indicated)	Dividends: Annual rate $	Dividends: Date of 1st quarterly payment	Book value	Earnings or Deficits: 5 yr Average 1926-30	1936	1937	1938	Yield on basis of price in %
Adams Express	0.20†	Irregular	13	—	0.50	0.62	0.16	3
Alleghany Ludlum Steel	—	—	21	—	2.13	2.10	—	nil
Allis Chalmers	1.50†	Irregular	32	—	2.27	4.42	—	5
American can 25	4	Feb. 15	61	6.29	5.80	6.08	4.35	4
Am. and Foreign Power	—	—	—	1.43	D 9.45	D 8.77	—	nil
Am. and For.P. $7 cum. Pref.	—	—	110	23.49	5.84	7.11	—	nil
Am. Locomotive	—	—	12	4.20	D 1.71	4.75	—	nil
Am. Radiator	—	—	12	1.84	0.70	0.68	—	nil
Am. Rolling Mill	—	—	33	2.46	2.25	2.55	—	nil
American Smelting	2†	Feb. 28	52	7.27	6.85	6.54	3.24	5
Am. Tel. and Tel. 100	9	Jan. 15	128	1.30	9.89	9.76	8.16	6
Am. Tob. "B" 25	5	Mar. 1	27	6.00	3.71	5.04	—	6
Am. Waterworks	—	—	35	2.80	1.52	1.14	0.38	nil
Anaconda Copper 50	0.50†	Irregular	55	4.97	1.83	3.62	1.10	2
Atch., Top. & S. Fe 100	—	—	260	19.16	1.56	0.60	0.83	—
Auburn Automobiles	—	—	28	9.72	D 6.67	D20.07	—	nil
Baltimore and Ohio 100	—	—	126	11.36	0.85	D 1.20	D 6.04	nil
Barber Asphalt (10)	—	—	32	—	1.14	1.91	—	—
Barnsdall Oil 5	1	Feb. 1	8	—	1.01	0.85	—	7
Bethlehem Steel	—	—	119	7 06	2.09	7.63	D 0.70	—
Boeing Airplane 5	—	—	6	—	032	0.45	—	nil
Borg-Warner 5	0.25	Irregular	16	—	3.57	3.63	—	1
Bklyn. Manh. Tran.	—	—	79	6.78	0.30	4.09	D 1.25	nil
Canadian Pacific Rly. 25	—	—	40	3.11	0.04	0.30	—	nil
Case, J. I. 100	5†	Irregular	134	14.53	12.36	13.98	8.89	7
Chase Nat. Bank 13.55	1.40	F.A. 1	31	4.04	2.24	2.03	—	5
Chesapeake & Ohio 25	1.75	Jan. 1	51	5.67	5.72	4.43	2.56	6
Chrysler 5	2†	Irregulor	28	4.69	14.25	11.66	4.32	3
Columbia Gas and Electric	—	—	16	2.08	0.53	0.57	0.31	—
Commercial Credit 10	4.00	Mar. 31	29	—	6.08	7.10	4.60	9
Commonwealth & Southern	—	—	5	0.67	0.13	0.18	0.08	nil
Consolidated Edison	2	Mar. 15	52	4.50	2.33	2.17	—	7
Consolidated Oil	0.80	Feb. 15	18	—	1.18	1.48	—	11
Continental Oil	1	Jan. 30	17	0.64	1.78	2.97	1.10	4
Corn Products 25	3	Jan. 20	34	4.41	3.86	2.52	3.17	5
Distillers Corp. Seagrams	2	Mar. 15	13	nil	2.42	3.49	3.75	12
Douglas Aircraft	3	Irregular	12	1.50	1.74	1.90	3.76	5
Dupont de Nemours 10	3.25†	Mar. 15	36	5.17	7.54	7.27	3.75	2
Eagle Picher Lead 10	0.10†	Irregular	13	—	0.74	0.40	—	1
Electric Bond & Share 5	—	—	27	2.15	0.17	0.42	0.18	nil
Elec. Bond & Share $6 Pref	6	Feb. 1	110	—	6.42	7.31	—	10
Flintkote	0.60	—	13	—	1.75	1.50	1.21	3
General Electric	0.90†	Jan. 25	11	1.81	1.52	2.21	0.96	3
General Motors 10	2†	Mar. 12	16	4.83	5.36	4.38	2.17	5
General Railway Signal	—	—	14	7.99	0.17	1.58	D 0.85	nil
Glidden	—	—	22	—	3.29	2.62	D 0.29	nil
Goodrich Rubber	—	—	23	2.09	4.03	D 2.25	0.14	nil
Goodyear Tire and Rubber	0.25	Irregular	21	5.12	3.90	1.95	1.34	1
Great Northern Ry. Pfd.	—	—	157	9.47	3.99	4.04	1.09	nil
Greyhound	1.10†	Jan. 1	7	D0.16	1.50	1.59	2.05	6
Hecker Products	0.60	Feb. 1	13	3.58	0.71	0.89	0.53	6
Int. Nickel	2*	Mar. 30	12	0.85	2.40	3.31	—	4
Int. Tel. and Tel	—	—	38	3.45	0.63	1.60	—	nil
Kennecott	1.75*	Mar. 30	29	3.67	2.36	4.60	2.10	6
Loew's Inc.	3.00	Mar. 30	51	6.71	6.73	8.47	5.65	8
Montgomery Ward	1.25†	Apr. 15	28	2.51	3.63	3.41	3.50	2
Nat. City Bank N.Y. 12½	1	F. A. 1	25	4.12	2.70	2.00	—	4
Nat. Dairy Products	1	Jan. 2	12	3.58	2.01	1.53	1.69	7
National Distillers	2	Feb. 1	18	—	3.81	3.86	3.85	8
Nat. Power and Ligh	0.60	Mar. 1	21	1.74	0.99	1.36	—	8
New York Central	—	—	142	12.63	1.79	0.99	D 3.13	nil
North American Co. 10	1.20	Jan. 2	22	4.47	1.74	1.95	1.55	6
Pacific Gas and Electric 25	2	Jan. 16	28	2.83	2.55	2.71	2.47	7
Pacific Lighting	3*	Feb. 15	9	2.70	3.88	4.10	4.18	7
Packard Motors	—	—	3	1.11	0.47	0.20	D 0.12	nil
Paramount Pictures 1	—	—	15	—	1.18	1.96	0.84	nil
Pennsylvania Railroad 50	0.50	—	89	7.01	2.94	2.07	0.84	3
Phillips Petroleum	2	Mar. 1	34	3.69	4.02	5.42	2.03	6
Public Service of N.J.	2.15†	Mar. 30	31	3.15	2.80	2.61	2.34	7
Pure Oil	—	—	21	1.77	1.63	2.15	0.38	nil
Radio Corp.	0.20	Irregular	nil	1.32	0.21	0.41	0.30	3
Reynolds Tobacco "B"	2.90	Jan. 1	14	3.04	2.93	2.82	2.37	8
Schenley 5	—	—	26	—	7.05	5.04	—	nil
Sears Roebuck	3	Mar. 16	40	5.03	4.45	5.60	5.58	5
Socony Vacuum Corp. 15	0.50†	M. S 15	20	—	1.38	1.82	—	4
Southern Pacific 100	—	—	196	10.19	3.84	0.20	D 1.81	nil
Standard Brands	0.525	Jan. 2	4	1.53	1.11	0.71	0.62	8
Standard Gas & Electric	—	—	50	6.59	D 0.99	D 1.33	—	nil
Standard Oil of N.J. 25	1.50*	J. D. 15	44	3.47	3.73	5.64	1.81	3
Texas Gulf Sulphur	2	Mar. 15	16	5.21	2.56	3.02	2.75	7
Union Carbide & Carbon	2.40†	Jan. 2	26	3.40	4.14	4.81	6.62	3
Union Pacific Railway 100	6	Jan. 2	198	17.53	8.20	6.15	2.12	7
United Aircraft 5	1.25†	Irregular	7	—	0.76	1.52	—	3
United Airlines 5	—	—	8	—	0.26	D 0.52	0.07	nil
United Corp.	—	—	7	0.55	0.19	0.22	—	nil
United Gas Improvement	1	Mar. 23	11	1.29	1.09	1.09	—	9
U.S. Rubber 10	—	—	13	nil	3.31	2.21	D 379	nil
U.S. Steel	—	—	140	12.90	2.91	8.01	—	nil
Vanadium	—	—	26	4.59	0.40	2.22	—	nil
Warner Bros. Pictures 5	—	—	15	1.84	0.75	1.48	0.41	nil
Westinghouse Elec. .50	2	Feb. 28	67	7.22	5.67	7.53	3.38	2

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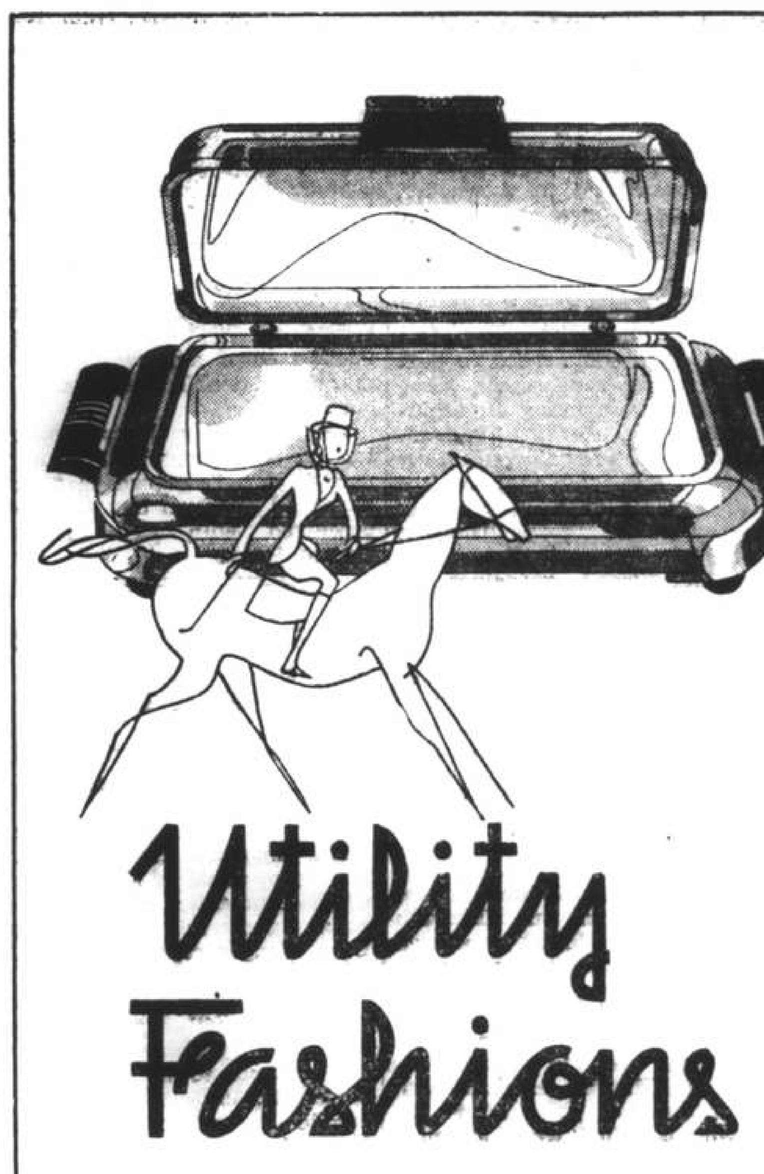
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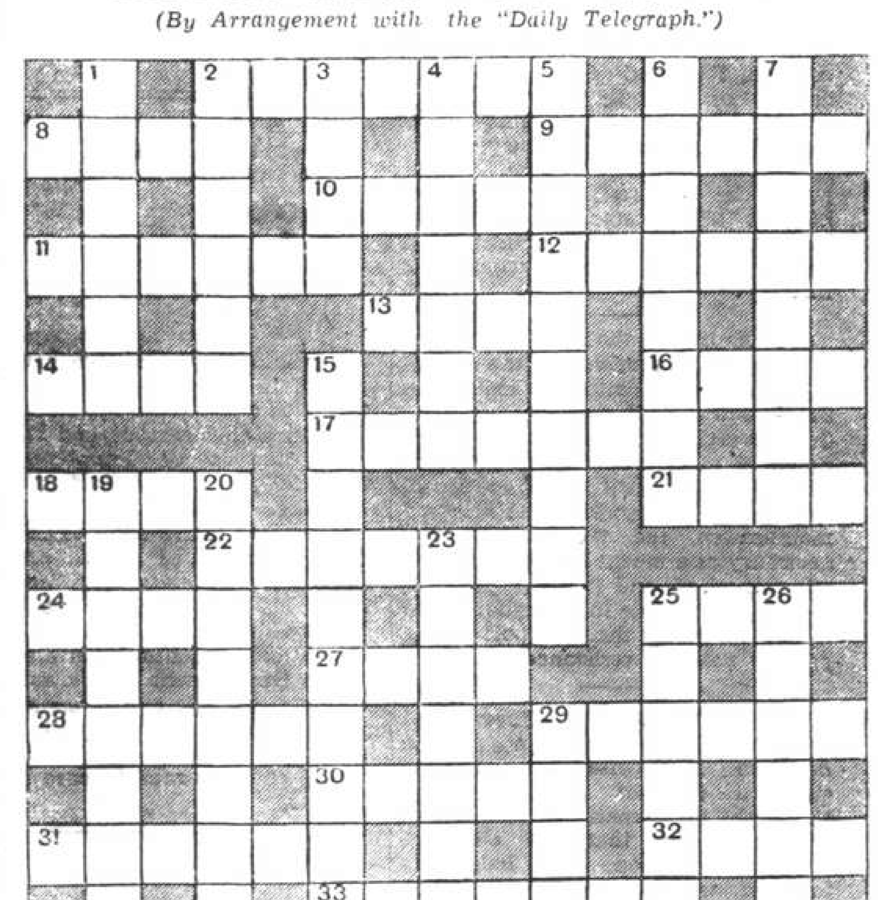

ACROSS

2 Sentimentalists may think that this punishment is misnamed
8 Monday's dish perhaps
9 The way to write here
10 Is this included, in the table money for a meal?
11 Dainty not necessarily for a bird
12 Produced a useful bounder
13 Is she the goal-getter in the ladies' team?
14 This is exclusively found in Saxon lyric poetry
16 A tramp in the U.S.
17 The cart is upset if this is misplaced
18 A vessel
21 A discarded building
22 Does a person with this figure have a difficulty in getting round?
24 "That full —— that ushers in the even" (Shakespeare, Sonnet)
25 This musical composer was the end of another
27 The commencement of night
28 Saw in the olden days
29 One of the Heavenly Twins that may be seen at table
30 A commotion in motion
31 Behaviour that is likely to be a pretence
32 National emblem
33 No trifling payment however small

DOWN

1 Slander
2 Plump as a fish?
3 Hide
4 Not a little place of worship but a pattern
5 There's money to be found in this county
6 Game that valetudinarians fear
7 Gather together with a foolish leader
15 A crime and after 18 across time make it
19 Cut down the expense in some A.R.P. apparently
20 In a warm climate the flower might be found in its start
23 Another vessel but of not so great tonnage apparently
25 Part of this rock is used for flavouring
26 In this is a proverbially luxurious state
29 Red Indian

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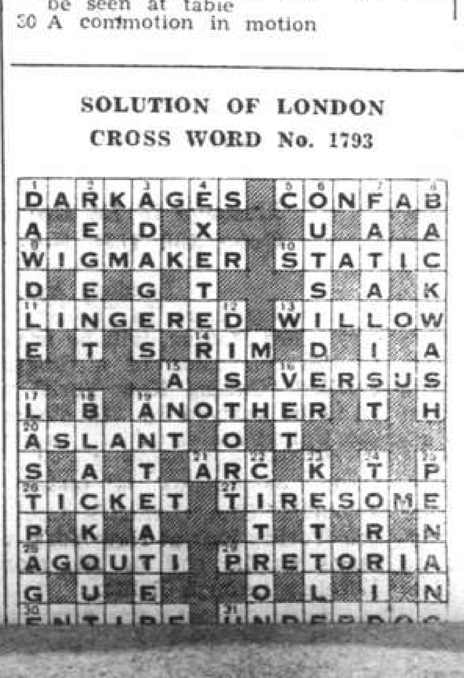

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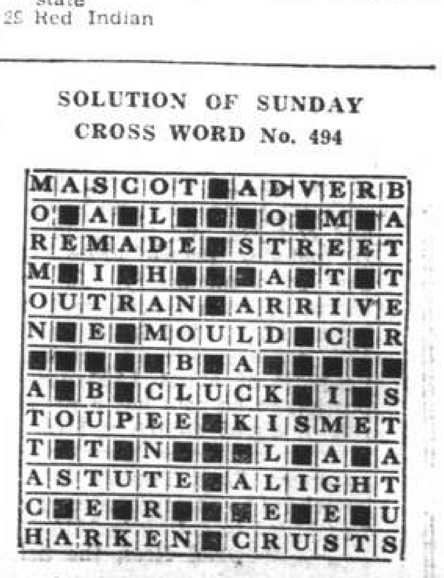

FROM DAY TO DAY

DOUGLAS Fairbanks, Jr., the famous screen star, on Saturday married Mrs. Mary Lee Epling Hartford, in Hollywood.

THE Messageries Maritimes mv. Jean Laborde which is due to arrive from Kobe today about 7 a.m., will berth at Hunts Wharf.

CHANCELLOR Hitler spent Saturday afternoon in visiting the infantry school and the Elsgrund flying academy at the Doberitz parade ground west of Berlin.

HIGHWAY 99 near Visalia, Cal., had a thorough cleaning. A truck loaded with soap collided with a truck load of toilet water. The contents were spilled and then a light rain set in.

AFTER flying 6,500 miles, a tern, ringed in Germany, died of exhaustion in the waters of the harbour at Port Elizabeth. The aluminium ring encircling its leg bore the inscription "Vogelwarte, Heligoland, Germany."

WHEN a small underground water pipe sprung a leak, the escaping water spurted from between siderwalk cracks on Legarda street, Baguio, P. I. Religious-minded residents believed it a miracle, lighted candles, knelt in the street and prayed.

STOCKMEN in Osgood, Ind., who inspected a litter of 18 pigs born to a sow rubbed their eyes when they spotted one of the group. It had one head, four ears, two bodies joined at the chest, eight legs, and two tails.

A NEW gas generating plant for gas works in Rio de Janeiro has just been ordered by the Brazilian firm S. A. du Gaz de Rio de Janeiro from the Berlin firm Keramische Industrie-Bedarfs A.G., specialists in construction of gas generators.

MR. Paul Huang, general-manager of the China National Aviation Corporation, left Chungking for Rangoon by air on April 20, to discuss with the Burmese Government authorities regarding the formal inauguration of the proposed Chungking-Rangoon air services, says a report to the "Wen Wei Pao."

No sooner had workmen completed a new block of houses in Cambrai, Flanders, when they were ordered to tear them down. It was discovered that they had been built over a forgotten dump of 80 tons of shells. Civilians were compelled by the Germans to bury the ammunition in August, 1918.

AN order banning the circulation of bank-notes issued by the so-called "Five-Power Union Bank," which is reported to have sprung up into existence in the occupied areas, with its head office reportedly located in the Peiping-Tientsin areas, has been issued by the Ministry of Finance, says the "Sin Wan Pao."

THE U.S. Government-sponsored film, "The Plow That Broke the Plains," is giving the government an idea how it feels to be censored. The Chamber of Commerce has asked its withdrawal on the grounds that it "presents an unfair and unattractive picture of the eastern half of Montana and other parts of the Great Plains area."

TRAIN services along the Chekiang-Kiangsi Railway are still functioning normally, says a report to the "Sin Wan Pao." The terminal station in Chekiang is at Chuchi, while that in Kiangsi is at Tunghsiang, the report adds. Highway communications between Chekiang, Kiangsi, Fukien, Hunan and Kwangsi, the report states, have remained uninterrupted.

ROBERT Shoots was haled into court in Redwood City, Cal., on a charge of allegedly failing to make an alimony payment on time. Shoots insisted he had send the cheque. The judge demanded to whom. Shoots replied he had sent it to the judge himself. The judge checked up on his mail accumulated during his vacation. The alimony cheque was there.

A WIRE urging that their efforts be continued, was received by the Shanghai People's Spiritual Mobilization Federation from General Chang Chun, Secretary-General of the National Spiritual Mobilization Commission in Chungking on April 20, says a report to the "Shun Pao." National spiritual mobilization, the wire stated, was necessary as a means towards national reconstruction, and it was hoped that the Chinese people in Shanghai would continue to lend their support to the present national resistance.

THE Mie Prefectural Government yesterday granted a license to the Ishiwara Enterprise Company to erect a 650-foot smoke-stack in Yokkaichi for a metal refinery plant. The firm claims that the chimney, which will take one and a half years to build, will be the highest in the world. The diameter of its top will measure 25 feet, while that of its base will be 40 feet. If the thickness of the structure's concrete walls is included, the diameter at the bottom will be 122 feet. The chimney will weigh 20,000 tons.

FAIRY-like light effects of unique beauty were seen at the opening of the Reich Gardening Exhibition in Stuttgart when, besides numerous searchlights, 400 floodlight installations, made by the Allgemeine Elektricitaet Gesellschaft and skillfully concealed from the public, will illuminate every part of the display with lights aggregating 1,500,000-candle power. Particularly beautiful are the variations in the illumination of fountains and cascades operated by a new process known as the Allegemeine Elektricitaet Gesellschat "Transkommando" system.

EARL Poulett is to sell the agricultural portions, about 3,200 acres, of the Hinton St. George Estate, between Yeovil and Taunton, Somerset. The estate comprises practically the whole of the village of Hinton St. George with its stone and thatched houses and cottages, and two public houses. It includes Priory Farm, formerly part of a monastery, and 16 other farms. Hinton House, said, to have been built in the latter half of the 15th century, will be retained, with its park of about 1,300 acres. The portion to be sold has a present rent roll of about £6,100 and will be offered by auction at Yeovil during the summer. Lord Poulett, who is 29, succeeded to the title when his father was killed in action in 1918. He married Miss Oriel Ross, the actress in 1935.

Holland Will Defend Neutrality

Independence Maintained At All Cost

The Hague, Apr. 23.

Proclaiming the Netherlands people's resolute determination to defend the independence and integrity of their country at any cost, all political quarters asserted that the traditional bravery, spirit of enterprise and patriotism of the population irrespective of political opinion is the best deterrant to an aggression.

Furthermore, they stated, the Netherlands Government is prepared to place the whole country on a war footing if the war threat assumes a more definite form, and all colonies will be called to co-operate in the defence of the Metropolis, both in human power and in essential raw material, mainly oil.

Military observers stated that a general mobilization would give Holland a well trained army of about 300,000. Holland, they added, has no fortifications comparable to the Maginot Line, but her waterways system might be used in case of extreme emergency as a natural barrier and large areas could be flooded within a few hours and check the advance of an invading army.—Havas.

Gibraltar Ready for Any Emergency

New Batteries Erected to Off-set Shore Threat

London, Apr. 23.

British defences at Gibraltar are prepared for any emergency, British press reports said last night.

New batteries of long range guns have been established on the summit of Gibraltar and will enable British forces to "obliterate in a short time the German-placed battery in Spain," the "News Chronicle" reported.

Meanwhile, the British battleship H.M.S. Ramillies, the destroyers Grafton and Gallant and the submarine Severn arrived at Gibraltar from Malta to augment the French naval forces guarding the Gibraltar area.—United Press.

Spain Will Not Occupy Tangier

Burgos, Apr. 23.

The persistent rumours in the foreign press that Spanish troops are making preparations to occupy the international zone at Tangier have now elicited an official denial from the Spanish Government.—Trans-Ocean.

Spanish Art Treasures At Geneva

Republican Govt. Transfers Country's Riches

Burgos, Apr. 23.

According to an official statement issued here, the Spanish art treasures transferred by the fromer Republican Government to Geneva include all the most valuable paintings from the Prado Museum in Madrid as well as a number of works of art belonging to the collection of the Duke of Alba and other private collections.

The treasures include 45 works of Velasquez, 44 of El Greco as well as several of Tizian, Rubens, Van Dyck and Tintoretto in addition to 138 by Goya, about 2,000 gobelin tapestries and numerous priceless incuabula and other books. Among the latter are a copy of the first edition of "Don Quixote," the "Book of the Hours" which belonged to Queen Isabella the Catholic, a Gutenberg bible and a numoer of valuable historical works. —Trans-Ocean.

Palestine Statute Proposals

Solution Reported Reached At Cairo Meeting

London, Apr. 23.

Negotiations which have been carried on in Cairo between the Egyptian Government, acting on behalf of the British Government, and the Arab representatives of Palestine, have successfully ended, authorized circles announce.

Both parties have come to an agreement in respect of British proposals to work out a new statute for Palestine. This statute will be published in a "white paper" as soon as the international situation permits. The British Government is determined to make a new effort at conciliation, after the failure of the round table conference, so as to ascertain the loyalty of the Arabs in case of war. —Havas.

Soft Coal Shortage Looms in East U.S.

Stocks Dwindle as Closure Continues

New York, Apr. 23.

A soft coal shortage in the industrial East loomed closer today. While wage-hour negotiators for the Appalachian bituminous industry remained deadlocked over a new contract, coal stocks were dwindling as a result of the shut-down which started three weeks ago.

Operators and brokers predicted that the bulk of the remaining supplies available to the market would be gone by May 1 or shortly thereafter.

The main reason for hopes that the situation would be relieved lay in the belief that President Roosevelt might step into the dispute soon.—United Press.

Lord Halifax Greets World's Fair

Message to Be Broadcast Over 300 U.S. Stations

London, Apr. 22.

A message from the Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, will be broadcast at the conclusion of a programme entitled "Calling New York" which is to be relayed by 342 stations in the United States as well as stations in Central and South America.

The programme is intended to symbolise Great Britain's greeting to the World's Fair at New York, which opens at the end of this month.—Wireless through Reuter.

THE CINEMA

"Ride A Crooked Mile"

Mike Balan	Akim Tamiroff
Trina	Frances Farmer
Johnny Simpkins	Leif Erikson
Oklahoma	Lynne Overman
Glinka	Vladimir Sokoloff
Sergeant Flynn	J. M. Kerrigan
Colonel Stewart	John Miljan
Marie Simpkins	Eugenie Nikola
George Rotz	Wade Crosby
Kracaw	Dewey Robinson
Bush	William Newell
Ostap	Leonid Snegoff
Maxie	John Bliefer

Even if it is only to see how, according to the bright boys of Hollywood, members of the hardy Russian race perform their ablutions in the bathroom, a visit should be paid to the Nanking Theatre, where "Ride A Crooked Mile" opened yesterday. One of the main attractions of the film—possibly the main attraction—was a bathroom sequence where by dint of throwing water over a large fire, Mr. Akim Tamiroff and Mr. Leif Erikson, both perched on a kind of miniature grandstand in a wooden shack (an exact replica of a Cossack bathroom, so the audience is led to believe), became obscured from view by clouds of steam. As the haze finally cleared away there came another treat for the audience when both these actors commenced to beat about each other lustily with some kind of leaves, resembling an aspidistra plant. This, so Mr. Tamiroff, explained was the correct way to take a bath in Russia. Whether or not that statement is true, it certainly looked good on the screen. The film tells the story of Mike Balan, ex-Cossack chief turned racketeer in America, who has foisted on him after twenty years' absence his son, Boris, whose name has been changed by his mother to Montgomery. Against his father's will, the son moves into Mike's house where he fights with his father, following which they become good friends. Then comes fate in the shape of a few burly and not too well-mannered detectives, who cart off Mike to Leavenworth Penitentiary where he languishes, hoping that his son will prove a real Cossack and get him out. Through joining a cavalry regiment, stationed at Leavenworth, his son manages to allow his father to escape, but at the crucial moment the sight of the Stars and Stripes and of his fellow soldiers brings regrets and he resolves to be a dutiful citizen, with the result that he goes after his father, who is killed when attempting to outride a cavalry troop. Filled with too much sentiment of a rather sticky kind, the film hangs upon a very slender story which gives its main characters little scope to show any real ability. Mr. Tamiroff is his usual blustering self, while Mr. Leif Erikson as his son also throws in a passable portrayal. The rest of the cast may well be left out for they did little to commend the film. In support are a Popeye cartoon, a News of the Day feature and a musical short featuring Henry Busse and his band.—R.S.

Siemens' Strikers Resume Work

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Apr. 22.

Strikers at the Siemens Electrical Engineering factory at Woolwich have decided to resume work on Monday. The British Admiralty took action against the factory because the strike was holding up important Government work. Government employees have been loading barges with submarine cables for Singapore, which was the Admiralty's property, and which were made by Messrs. Siemens under contract.—Reuter.

New Japanese Tourist Chief Appointed

Tokyo, Apr. 23.

Official announcement was made yesterday that Mr. Kairo Kataoka, who has been Director of the Railway Investigation Bureau of the Railway Ministry, was appointed Director of the Board of Tourist Industry in the same Ministry.

He succeeds Mr. Makoto Den, who was appointed Vice-President of the North China Transportation Company, a subsidiary of the North China Development Company.—Domei.

Soviet Naval Manoeuvres In Baltic

Helsingfors, Apr. 23.

Large spring manœuvres of the Soviet Russian fleet began in the Baltic yesterday. They are directed by Admiral Leftshenko and the Chief of General Staff of the Navy, Galler, who are aboard the battleship Marat.

Among other units a large number of submarines, an aircraft-carrier stationed near Kronstadt, as well as coastal batteries at Kronstadt and Leningrad are taking part in the manœuvres.—Trans-Ocean.

Good Prices At Sotheby's Auction

London, Apr. 22.

Despite the political tension of recent weeks, some remarkably good prices were realized at Sotheby's yesterday. An attractive richly lacquered Louis XV cabinet fetched £1,000 after spirited bidding.—Wireless through Reuter.

Collapse of Strike At Electrical Factory

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Apr. 22.

The unofficial strike at the electrical equipment factory of Siemens Brothers at Woolwich has collapsed, and 8,000 workers are returning to work on Monday.—Reuter.

Chinese Woman Shot

A Chinese woman Koo Chiu-sze was shot through the breast last night when she tried to resist a gang of unknown number of robbers who paid a surprise visit to her home in the Chinese territory near Brenan Road. The men broke into her house at about 7.15 p.m. but before they could lay their hands on anything valuable the woman raised an alarm by shouting, which angered the men one of whom shot her. She was later rushed to a Settlement hospital being in a serious condition.

Two robbers broke into another Chinese residence in the Western district about half an hour later and after intimidating the inmates they stole $132 and escaped. The victimized residence is located at 1132 Jessfield Road.

Col. Lindbergh Starts Tour of U.S.

Will Make Inspection of Country's Air Bases

Dayton, Ohio, Apr. 23.

Col. Charles A. Lindbergh, who was called to the colours last week to inspect America's aircraft construction facilities, landed at Wright Field here yesterday on the first stop of his tour of the nation's air centres.

Col. Lindbergh arrived here direct from Washington in one of the new Army pursuit planes which he also will test during his flight around the country.

Meanwhile, reports from Washington said the American aviator had brought from Europe ten days ago confirmation of reports that Germany is leading the United States in developing fast striking military planes, namely, interceptor planes capaole of 379 miles per hour. The best American model produced thus far will fly only 350 miles per hour.

The House of Representatives Naval Affairs Committee is understood to have prepared a favourable report on a bill authorizing 6,000 reserve corps aviators, which would more than double the present reserve corps.

The Army Air Corps experimental laboratory here which usually remains closed Saturday afternoons, remained open all day while officers conferred with Col. Lindbergh.—United Press.

France Will Purchase Rumanian Oil

Quarter of Annual Output To Be Taken Over

Bucharest, Apr. 22.

An important contract providing for the purchase of about 25 per cent. of the Rumanian oil production has been signed this afternoon by M. Leon Wenger representing 30 French oil concerns and M. Jean Bujoi, Rumanian Minister of Economy.

Rumania will export to France a total quantity of about 400,000 tons of oil products to be delivered before March 31, 1940. The contract will enable to materialize the Franco-Rumanian economic accords signed recently and will provide Rumania with over half a billion Francs enabling her to repay part of her indebtedness to Paris.

Political quarters here expressed the opinion that the Franco-Rumanian economic accords will counterbalance the German efforts to secure the control of the Rumanian oil production. It is pointed out that 90 per cent. of the Rumanian oil companies are controlled by British, French, Belgian and American interests.—Havas.

France Investigating Plane Crashes

Possibility of Sabotage to Be Examined

Paris, Apr. 23.

Immediate investigation of three air crashes in France yesterday which took a toll of 20 lives was ordered last night by M. Guy La Chambre, French Air Minister. All planes involved in the accidents were old models but it was believed the possibility of sabotage would be investigated because of the recent fatal fire aboard the ss. Paris.

The first crash occurred when a French Army bomber from Le Bourget field crashed at Beauvais while participating in manœuvres. Five men were killed in the crash. A few hours later two bombers collided in mid-air at 300 feet as they were landing in formation at Tours. Nine men were killed in this accident.

Six additional men were killed when a four motored Farman bomber crashed near Oujda.—United Press.

Empress Gives Flower Plants to Wounded

Tokyo, Apr. 23.

Gifts of flower plant seeds and bulbs were presented by Empress Nagako to the Chiba Sanatorium to cheer wounded soldiers there, it was announced yesterday by Gen. Baron Shigeru Honjo, retired, President of the Wounded Soldiers' Protection Board. The Empress dispatched her chamberlain to the sanatorium on Thursday. The wounded men were deeply moved by Her Majesty's kindness, Gen. Honjo said.—Domei.

Yesterday's Arrivals

Name	From	Consignees
Myoken M.	Nagasaki	N.Y.K.
Liangchow	Dairen	B.&S.
Diomed	Hongkong	B.&S.
Joan Moller	Tientsin	T.C.C.
Sanko M.	Tientsin	M.B.K.
Tensan M.	Takao	D.K.K.
Shinhwa	Chefoo	G. L. Shaw
Solviken	Weihaiwei	Melchers
City of Athens	U. S. A.	Lacey & C.
Liwo	Haimen	Jardine
Talien	Tsungming	Wan Woo
Alexandra	Hsinkong	Young's' Shp.
Wusueh	Hsinkong	B.&S.
Hilda Moller	Hongay	Jardine
Luise	Hsinkong	Keh Lee
Zinzan M.	Singapore	N.Y.K.
Elbhof	Wenchow	Carlowitz
Estelle L.	Haimen	C. & T. Co.
Canton	Hongkong	Mackenzie
Charles L. D.	—	—
Tungwo	Tungchow	Jardine

Yesterday's Departures

Name	Flag	Despatcher
Gran	Pan.	Wallem
Don Jose	Phil.	Wallem
Hansi	Ger.	G.F.E.
Haikong	Ger.	Keh Lee
Hanna	Ger.	Carlowitz
Elbhof	Ger.	Carlowitz
Elsie Moller	Br.	C.F.S.S.
F. Consolini	Ital.	C.I.N.
Fooshing	Br.	Jardine
Opalia	Br.	A.P.C.
St. V. de Paul	Br.	B.&S.
Norah Moller	Br.	Mollers'
Tembien	Ital.	C.I.N.
Nagasaki M.	Jap.	N.Y.K.
Changteh	Br.	B.&S.
Tategami M.	Jap.	N.Y.K.
Hengshan M.	Jap.	N.K.K.
Nordmark	Ger.	H.-A.L.
Wosang	Br.	Jardine
Tensan M	Jap.	D.K.K.
Hoihow	Br.	B.&S.
Isabel Moller	Br.	K.M.A.
Henry Dundas	Br.	S.V.O.C.

Men-of-War in Port

Name	Flag	Type	Berthed
Dorsetshire	Br.	Cr.	B.N.B.
Scarab	Br.	Gbt.	Y.P.D.W.
Tern	Br.	Gbt.	Y.P.D.W.
Luzon	Am.	Gbt.	U.S.N.B.
Marblehead	Am.	Cr.	U.S.N.B.
S. de Brazza	Fr.	Gbt.	F.N.B.
B. Colleoni	Itl.	Cr.	J.N.B.

Post Office Notices

Earlier posting at Sub-Offices is requested in order to make connection with the below-mentioned closing times.
(Last connecting time from Sub-Offices to Head Office is 19.35 on week days and 19.05 on Sunday).

Date and Destination	Per		Reg.	Ord.
MONDAY, April 24.				
Foochow	Shinhwa	X	8.30	9.00
Foochow	G. Padua		9.00	9.30
Aust. N.Z. S.S. (Y) India Suez Europe via Suez	J. Laborde	A	14.00	16.00
Hongkong and Canton	J. Laborde		15.30	16.00
Indo-China (Z) via H'phong	Kiungchow	B	—	—
Kiangpei Offices east of Jukao	Tejo		16.30	17.00
Swatow and Hongkong	Liangchow		18.30	19.00
Kwangtung	Liangchow		18.30	19.00
Japan H'lulu U.S.A. Canada Europe via Pacific	Pres. Taft	C	17.30	19.30
TUESDAY, April 25.				
Aust. N.Z. S.S. India Suez (Y) and Europe (Y)	Canton	D	8.30	10.00
Hongkong and Canton	Canton		9.30	10.00
Swatow H'kong Haiphong	Kiungchow		11.00	11.30
Kwangtung	Kiungchow		11.00	11.30
U.S.S.R. Europe via Siberia	Mingsang		10.30	12.00
Chefoo and Tientsin	Mingsang		11.30	12.00
Weihaiwei Chefoo Tientsin	Hsin Peking		11.30	12.00
Nantung	Nantung M.		14.30	15.00
Hongkong	Hunan		18.30	19.00
Swatow and Hongkong	Tsinan		19.30	20.00
Kwangtung	Tsinan		19.30	20.00

A Parcel mail for Indo-China, S.S., Ceylon, Africa, Egypt, E-Soudan, France and other countries, closes at 12.00 on 24th.
B Parcel mail for Indo-China, closes at 16.00 on 24th.
C Parcel mail for Honolulu and U.S.A., closes at 16.00 on 24th.
D Parcel mail for S.S., Gt. Britain and other countries, closes at 16.00 on 24th.
X Provisional time—subject to alterations.
Y Superscribed correspondence.
Z Parcel mail only.

Air Mails

Imperial Airways Service (Hongkong-Bangkok-London and Hongkong-Bangkok-Singapore-Australia) per ss. Jean Laborde, on April 24, at 3 p.m. for registered and at 4 p.m. for ordinary, and due Marseilles on May 3, and London on May 4.

Pan American Airways Service (Hongkong-San Francisco) per ss. Hector, on April 28, at 3 p.m. for registered and at 4 p.m. for ordinary and due San Francisco on May 10.

Air France (Hongkong-Marseilles) per ss. Canton on April 25, at 9 a.m. for registered and at 10 a.m. for ordinary, and due Marseilles on May 5, and London May 6.

Neth. (K.L.M.) Air Mail Service (Bandoeng-Amsterdam) per ss. Canton on April 25, at 9 a.m. for registered and at 10 a.m. for ordinary, and due Amsterdam on May 9, and London on May 10.

Royal Netherlands Indies' Airways K.N.I.L.M. (Saigon-Batavia-Sydney) per ss. Jean Laborde, on April 24, at 3 p.m. for registered and at 4 p.m. for ordinary to Saigon.

Shanghai-Japan Air Mail Service :—Air mails close daily at 8 p.m. for registered and ordinary.

Domestic Air Mail

Air Mails for Nanking per Shanghai-Nanking Air Line close daily at 12.00 (At Yuhang Road Sub-Office daily at 11.30 a.m.)

Air mails for Hankow per Shanghai-Hankow Air Line close daily at 10.30 p.m.

Air mails for Ningsia, Shensi, Szechwan, Yunnan, Kweichow, Hupeh (Shasi and west) and west thereof are to be forwarded to Hongkong for further transmission by the Hongkong-Chungking plane.

Train Mail

Light mails for or via Wuhu, N.S.R. and Lunghai (east of Chenghsien; Tungshan and Kaifeng) close daily, at 10.30 p.m.

Light mails for Kiangpei Offices west and north of Jukao via Chinkiang close daily at 10.30 p.m.

Light mails for or via S.H.N.R. close daily at 10.30 p.m.

Light mails for or via T.P.R. and north Pinghan close daily at 10.30 p.m.

Light mails for Hankow, Wuchang and Hanyang close daily at 10.30 p.m.

Light mails for or via River Ports beyond Nanchang per available steamer via Yungkia.

Ocean Mails for Europe and America.

Via Siberia by steamer to Tientsin or Chinwangtao for transmission.

Next steamer mails will be closed as follows :—

ss. Jean Laborde, via Suez, April 24, due London May 25.

ss. Pres. Taft, via Pacific, April 24, due London May 24.

ss. Canton, via Suez, April 25, due London May 27.

Weather, Time and Tide

Monday, April 24, 1939 (5th day of 3rd moon)	SICCAWEI April 22 16.00	April 22 21.00	April 23 4.00	April 23 9.00
Barometer inches	29.95	30.03	30.15	30.24
at 32 F. (variation for 24 hrs.)	+0.08	+0.12	+0.22	+0.29
at 32 F. („ „ 12 hrs.)	+0.02	+0.08	+0.20	+0.21
Wind (direction)	NNW	NE	NNE	N
„ (miles per hour)	10.6	5.0	12.4	13.1
Temperature (Fahr.)	76.1°	59.2°	56.3°	61.3°
Humidity %	59	98	73	48
Nebulosity (0 to 10)	2	0	6	9
Rainfall inches	—	—	—	—

Siccawei Abridged Report April 22	Mean 1939	24 hrs. variation	66 years average
Barometer (Mean 4 obs.)	29.97	+0.10	29.95
Temp. Min. 53.°1 Max. 79.°7	66.°4	+4.°1	58.°8
Total rainfall January to 1 midnight before last (inches)	11.29	—	10.27

Time and Tide	24/4	25/4	26/4	27/4	28/4
Sun rises at Shanghai	5.18	5.16	5.15	5.14	5.13
Sun sets at Shanghai	18.28	18.29	18.29	18.30	18.31
Moon rises at Shanghai	8.49	9.50	10.53	11.57	13.01
Moon sets at Shanghai	22.57	23.48	—	0.36	1.19
Flood makes Shai. 6 to 18	13.20	14.08	15.10	17.10	3.57
Ebb. makes Shai. 6 to 18	6.15	7.00	7.42	8.38	10.10
H.W. W'sung Bar 6 to 18	14.55	15.38	16.58	5.53	7.32
Ht. above LLW. (feet)	9.12	8.86	8.57	7.32	7.95

Vessels Discharging

CITY OF ATHENS. From U.S.A. via Ports. This steamer is now discharging her cargo (except Prohibited Articles and Dangerous Goods) at Old Ningpo Wharf. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their cargo. Consignees of "Bulk Cargo" will further be requested to send their representative to the Wharf to verify the weight of such cargo whilst being landed. All risk of fire at the Wharf and Godowns to be borne by Consignees of cargo. All Claims against this steamer must be sent in before May 8, 1939 or they will not be recognized. Damaged cargo will be examined on Saturday, April 29, at 9.00 a.m. Bills of Lading must be produced at the examination. Lacey & Cannan, Ltd. Agents, American Manchurian Line. 25-4

NORDMARK. From Hamburg, Bremen Rotterdam, Antwerp, Genoa and via Ports. This vessel is now discharging all her cargo, at the Shanghai & Hongkew Wharf, subject to the usual terms and conditions as shown on the Wharf Tariff. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and take immediate delivery of their cargo. Consignees of "Bulk" cargo are further requested to send their representatives to the Wharf to verify the weights of such cargo whilst being landed. Damaged cargo will be examined at the Wharf on April 27, 1939, at 9.30 a.m. by the Surveyors, Tesdorff, Hannig & Co. No examination will be made after this date. All claims against this vessel must be sent in within fifteen days after the vessel's arrival. Claims sent in after this period will not be recognized. No Insurance will be effected. Hamburg-Amerika Linie Filiale Schanghai No. 20 Canton Road. Telephone 18709. 26-4

Vessels Arriving To-day

The following particulars in connection with vessels due to arrive to-day are based upon information available yesterday evening.

From HAMBURG: Gneisenau due 5 p.m., Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf, Passengers Expected Customs Jetty 5 p.m.

From LONDON: Hakusan M. due 11 a.m., Wayside Wharf.
Bangalore, due p.m., Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf, Pootung.

From MANILA: President Taft, due 7.30 a.m., Buoys 12-13, Passenger Expected Customs Jetty 8.45 a.m.

From KOBE: Jean Laborde, due 2 p.m., Hunt's Wharf, Passengers expected at Customs Jetty 3 p.m.

From SWATOW: Dahpu, due p.m., Roosevelt Terminal.

From HONGKONG: Mingsang, due noon, Roosevelt Terminal.
Tsinan, due a.m., French Bund.

Due at Future Dates

All vessels are listed under their terminal port. The first date is that of the ship's departure from that port, and the second is the date she is due to arrive in Shanghai Where a ship's name is duplicated it indicates the port of call last visited.

EUROPE AND STRAITS

From GDYNIA		
Bellerophon	7/3	28/4
Antilochus	4/4	26/5
From COPENHAGEN		
Danmark	1/3	13/5
Africa	1/4	1/6
From OSLO		
Nanking	28/3	19/5
Trianon	17/3	29/5
Triton	17/4	12/6
From HAMBURG		
Scharnhorst	15/4	19/5
Africa	15/4	1/6
Preussen	22/4	7/6
Zuiderkerk	22/4	10/6
From BREMEN		
Duisburg	21/3	15/5
Sauerland	4/4	25/5
Preussen	18/4	7/6
From ROTTERDAM		
Antilochus	12/4	26/5
From ANTWERP		
Gleniffer	4/3	4/5
Lippe	23/3	11/5
Elbe	9/4	12/5
Serooskerk	20/3	13/5
Glenshiel	18/3	14/5
Glenfinlas	1/4	27/5
Zuiderkerk	17/4	10/6
Glengarry	15/4	11/6
From GLASGOW		
Agamemnon	25/3	14/5
Sarpedon	8/4	25/5
Deucalion	22/4	8/6
From LIVERPOOL		
Aeneas	18/3	30/4
Pyrrhus	25/3	9/5
Agamemnon	1/4	14/5
Achilles	8/4	21/5
Sarpedon	15/4	25/5
Lycaon	22/4	8/6
From LONDON		
Rajputana	24/3	30/4
Haruna M.	31/3	8/5
Ranchi	6/4	14/5
Bhutan	1/4	15/5
Katori M.	14/4	23/5
Behar	15/4	24/5
Glenfinlas	15/4	27/5
Ranpura	21/4	28/5
From MARSEILLES		
P. Doumer	14/4	12/5
Katori M.	21/4	23/5
Sarpedon	21/4	25/5
From GENOA		
C. B'camano	29/3	25/4
G. Ceasar	20/4	15/5
Sauerland	21/4	25/5
From TRIESTE		
Arabia	20/2	25/4
C. Rosso	12/4	7/5
Himalaya	20/3	9/5
From PORT SAID		
Lippe	9/4	11/5
Nanking	15/4	19/5
Trianon	14/4	29/5
From SUEZ		
Haruna M.	14/4	8/5
Glenshiel	13/4	14/5
Duisburg	13/4	15/5
From DJIBOUTI		
P. Doumer	22/4	12/5
From ADEN		
C. Rosso	19/4	7/5
Ranchi	23/4	14/5
Bhutan	17/4	15/5
From BOMBAY		
Melbourne M.	3/4	30/4
From KARACHI		
Mansei M.	10/4	8/5
Himalaya	13/4	9/5
From COLOMBO		
Serooskerk	23/4	13/5
From SINGAPORE		
Bellerophon	17/4	28/4
Rajputana	21/4	30/4
Aeneas	23/4	30/4
Gleniffer	20/4	4/5
Danmark	22/4	13/5
From SOERABAIA		
Tjinegara	7/4	25/4
From MANILA		
Malay Prince	20/4	27/4
Foylebank	19/4	30/4
From HONGKONG		
See "China Ports" below.		

AMERICA AND JAPAN

From NEW YORK		
Malay Prince	9/3	27/4
Niel Maersk	10/3	28/4
Agapenor	27/2	28/4
P. Castle	15/3	28/4
Foylebank	6/3	30/4
Laura Maersk	25/3	10/5
Silversandal	23/3	11/5
C. Pittsburg	16/3	13/5
S. Scientist	3/4	23/5
Dardanus	27/3	24/5
P. Maersk	8/4	24/5
Lossiebank	6/4	27/5
Chi. Prince	11/4	27/5
C. of Derby	18/4	15/6
From SAVANNAH		
Chi. Prince	14/4	27/5
From PANAMA		
P. Maersk	19/4	24/5
From VANCOUVER		
Talthybius	10/4	2/5
Emp. Japan	14/4	2/5
From SEATTLE		
Talthybius	2/4	2/5
From LOS ANGELES		
Tatuta M.	27/3	29/4
Laura Maersk	15/4	10/5
From SAN FRANCISCO		
Silversandal	11/4	12/5
Dardanus	22/4	24/5
Lossiebank	28/4	27/4
From HONOLULU		
Emp. Japan	19/4	2/5
From HONGKONG		
See "China Ports" below.		
From YOKOHAMA		
Ramses	20/4	26/4
Kina	22/4	27/4
Niel Maersk	24/4	28/4
Hector	21/4	28/4
Tatuta M.	14/4	29/4
Suwa M.	25/4	1/5
From KOBE		
Ramses	23/4	26/4
From NAGASAKI		
Shanghai M.	24/4	25/4
From KEELUNG(Formosa)		
Hukuken M.	23/4	25/4

AFRICA AND AUSTRALIA

From CAPETOWN		
Ruys	19/4	27/5
From MELBOURNE		
Tanda	1/4	11/5
From BRISBANE		
Tanda	17/4	11/5

CHINA PORTS

From DAIREN		
Dairen M.	23/4	25/4
Ramses	16/4	26/4
Kina	13/4	27/4
From TIENTSIN		
Hunan	22/4	25/4
Sinkiang	20/4	26/4
Shuntien	23/4	26/4
Taisang	24/4	27/4
Yatshing	24/4	27/4
Tingsang	28/4	1/5
From HONGKONG		
Arabia	23/4	25/4
Szechuen	19/4	25/5
C. B'camano	23/4	25/4
Tjinegara	22/4	25/4
Fausang	20/4	25/4
Esang	23/4	27/4
Kwangtung	23/4	27/4
Agepenor	23/4	28/4
Kingyuan	25/4	29/4
Taksang	26/4	30/4
Taiyuan	28/4	2/5

Vessels Leaving

NORTH CHINA COAST

HSIN PEKING Apr. 25. WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—From French Bund on Tuesday, April 25, at 2 p.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 25-4

MINGSANG Apr. 25. CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Tuesday, April 25, at 2 p.m. "A" and "B" Saloon Accommodation. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 25-4

DAHPU Apr. 26. CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Wednesday, April 26. For freight apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 26-4

FAUSANG Apr. 27. TSINGTAO, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Thursday, April 27. "A" and "B" Saloon Accommodation. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 27-4

KANCHOW Apr. 28. TSINGTAO, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—From French Bund on Friday, April 28, at 6 a.m. For freight apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 27-4

ESANG Apr. 29. CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Saturday, April 29. "A" and "B" Saloon Accommodation. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 29-4

SHUNTIEN Apr. 29. TSINGTAO, WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN. — From French Bund on Saturday, April 29, at 10 a.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 29-4

SOUTH CHINA COAST

KIUNGCHOW Apr. 25. SWATOW, HONGKONG KWONGCHOWWAN, PAKHOI and HAIPHONG.—From French Bund on Tuesday, April 25, at 2 p.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 25-4

LIANGCHOW Apr. 25. SWATOW and HONGKONG.—Leaves on Tuesday, April 25, at 6 a.m. For freight apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 24-4

HUNAN Apr. 26. HONGKONG.—Leaves on Wednesday, April 26, at 6 a.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 25-4

TSINAN Apr. 26. SWATOW and HONGKONG.—From French Bund on Wednesday, April 26, at 6 a.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 25-4

SZECHUEN Apr. 27. AMOY and HONGKONG.—From French Bund on Thursday, April 27, at 6 a.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 26-4

TJINEGARA Apr. 27. AMOY, HONGKONG, MANILA, CEBU, MENADO, MACASSAR, BALI, SOERABAIA and JAVA N.C.—The J.C.J.L. ms. Tjinegara sails from Holt's Wharf, Pootung on Thursday, April 27, taking cargo to Java and transhipment in Java. Excellent passenger accommodation. Through tickets issued to European Australian and African Ports. For particulars apply to the Java-China-Japan Lijn Agentschap Shanghai N.V., Brunner Mond Building, 135 Szechuen Road. Tel. Nos. 16247 (4 Lines). 26-4

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YATSHING Apr. 29. SWATOW and HONGKONG.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Saturday, April 29. For freight apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 29-4

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JAPAN

DIOMED Apr. 25. KOBE, OSAKA, YOKOHAMA.—For freight and passage apply Agents, Butterfield & Swire, 21 French Bund. Tel. 82020. 25-4

GNEISENAU Apr. 25. YOKOHAMA and KOBE.—For freight and passage apply to Melchers & Co., general agents, N.D.L., 210-214 Kiukiang Road. Tel. 15566. 25-4

STRAITS AND EUROPE

CANTON Apr. 25. MARSEILLES, GIBRALTAR and LONDON via HONGKONG, SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, COCHIN, ADEN, PORT SUDAN, SUEZ, PORT SAID and MALTA.—Last tender leaves Customs Jetty at 11 a.m. Tuesday, April 25, 1939. Hand packages only accepted by the Tender. Heavy Baggage received into Lighter at Customs Jetty between 2 and 3 p.m. on Monday, April 24. Customs Permit required for any nailed cases. For Freight and Passage Apply to:—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Agents, 27 The Bund. Tel. No. 11428. 25-4

JEAN LABORDE Apr. 25. MARSEILLES via HONGKONG SAIGON, SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, DJIBOUTI, SUEZ and PORT SAID.—Messageries Maritimes, 9 French Bund. Tel. 82034. 25-4

RAMSES Apr. 26. GENOA, ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM and HAMBURG via PORTS.—(Captain J. Falke), on or about April 25, 1939. For freight and passage please apply to Hamburg-Amerika Linie, Filiale Shanghai, 20 Canton Road. Tel. 18709. 26-4

SONTAY Apr. 29. ORAN, CASABLANCA, HAVRE, ANTWERP, DUNKIRK via ADEN and PORT SAID.—For particulars apply to Messageries Maritimes, 9 Quai de France. Tel. 82034. 29-4

HECTOR Apr. 30. MARSEILLES, LONDON, ROTTERDAM and GLASGOW.—For freight and passage apply Agents, Messrs. Butterfield & Swire, 21 French Bund. Tel. 82020. 30-4

GLENAPP May 2. CASABLANCA, LONDON, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG and ANTWERP via HONGKONG and STRAITS.—Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Agents, Glen Line Ltd. Tel. 15290. 2-5

GNEISENAU May 4. GENOA, SOUTHAMPTON, ROTTERDAM, BREMEN and HAMBURG via HONGKONG, MANILA, SINGAPORE, BELAWAN, COLOMBO and PORT SAID.—For freight and passage apply to Melchers & Co., general agents, N.D.L., 210-214 Kiukiang Road. Tel. 15566. 4-5

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CARTHAGE May 9. BOMBAY, MARSEILLES and LONDON via HONGKONG, STRAITS and CEYLON.—For freight and passengers apply to Machinnon, Mackenzie and Co., Agents, 27 The Bund. Tel. 11428. 9-5

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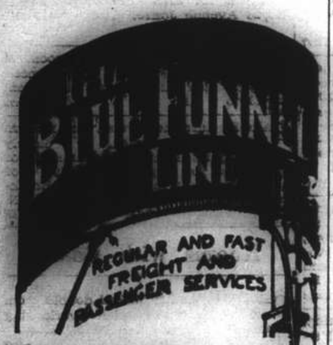

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	BELLEROPHON	Gdynia	Apr. 28	Apr. 29	Taku, Dairen and Japan
A	AENEAS	Liverpool	Apr. 30	May 2	Tsingtao and Taku
C	TALTHYBIUS	Pacific Coast	May 2	May 5	Hongkong
C	PYRRHUS	Liverpool	May 9	May 10	Japan Ports
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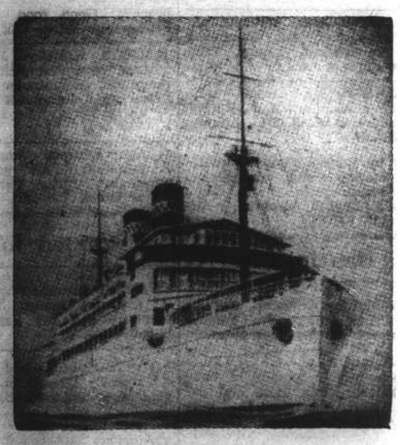

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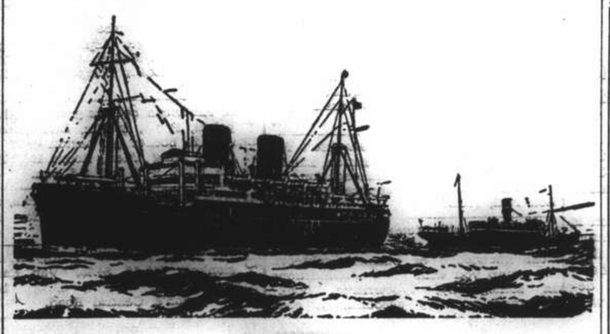

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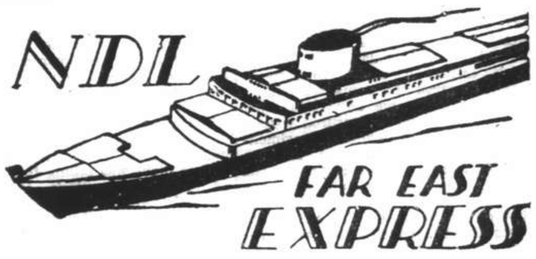

ss. GNEISENAU
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Saint George for England

Sermon Preached in Holy Trinity Cathedral By Dean Trivett at Mattins on April 23

TEXT:—*"As the servants of God. Honour all men. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honour the King."* I Peter 2: 17.

THIS service has been arranged under the joint auspices of the Royal Society of St. George (Shanghai Branch), and the 2nd Battalion The East Surrey Regiment. We in the Society keep it as the Name Day and Festival of our Patron Saint. You of the Regiment keep it as your "Ypres Day". And since we have here as well a detachment from H.M.S. Dorsetshire, we are reminded that in Naval circles the day is remembered as the anniversary of one of the most heroic and spectacular Naval engagements of the Great War, the attack upon Zebrugge.

We are the Society of English men and women: you are members of one of the oldest foot Regiments of England,—and I shall begin the morning by asking you to consider with me what is our vocation and calling as English men and women. The ideals and virtues we associate with our Patron Saint, and which must needs distinguish those who would be his true followers. And then I shall illustrate those ideals and virtues by concrete examples from the glorious history of the two Regiments, the 31st and the 70th foot, which were merged some sixty years ago to form the East Surrey Regiment. I shall have particular reference to the gallant fighting during the 2nd battle of Ypres, when one of the regular battalions of the Regiment gained the unique award of three Victoria Crosses, won in a single day.

Saint George

We in St. George's Society can claim this difference from the other national Societies in that while their Patron Saints were clerics, ours was a soldier. In unselfish service and the championing of the weak he proved himself a true knight of the Cross, and like his Lord and Master, he seems to have gone about doing good.

St. George was on his way home after a tour of foreign duty when he performed that act which tradition connects chiefly with his name. Coming to a city in mourning, he asks the cause and learns that the beautiful princess is being sacrified to a dragon which infests the neighbourhood, in hope that it will leave the district.

True to his vows the cannot see the innocent suffer, nor allow evil to go unchecked, and so he engages the dragon in combat and slays him. He continues his journey to Rome where he makes a strong plea for more merciful treatment of the Christian Church. His efforts in this connection were not only unavailing, but so displeased the Emperor, that St. George was cast into prison, where after many tortures, he was beheaded.

His efforts in an unpopular cause are worthy of notice, since we like to think that one of our national characteristics today, is readiness to espouse an unpopular cause, if we believe it has right on its side. The life of our Patron Saint illustrates for us certain well defined and praiseworthy virtues which we do well to covet for the English race.

Let me single out three; and I submit that they all find their true source and strength in a simple faith in the fatherhood of God, and the saving power of Jesus Christ.

The True Knight

First there is the ideal of the true knight,—that which is above all the soldiers virtue; and indeed which suggests the name we give to our Navy and Army, "the services."—Unselfish service for the common good. A service that holds nothing back, that gives even life itself if need be. And then in the second place, a readiness to espouse the cause of the oppressed, whether they be of our own race or faith, or not. And last but not least, steadiness in the hour of danger, and courage at all times.

These virtues I believe we can claim as sought after and admired by men and women of the English race, and practised by our forefathers in no mean degree.

Glorious History

As we turn the pages of our English history we see that, although the outward form of action is almost infinite in its variety, the spirit which meets and conquers the challenge is one and the same—a spirit that meets all life circumstance in a gallant and high-hearted way, and testifies to a national vocation to courageous conduct and unselfish service.

On this our National Day we do well to remind ourselves of the long and glorious history of the English race. A history that has maintained noble traditions and woven about them deeds of undying heroism. A history that is replete with the names of gallant men who have served their God and their King well and faithfully, and who deserve the praise of their country and the world. The ideals for which they stood, counting death itself preferable to dishonour, should be ours today. We have a high calling—a noble vocation—it would deserve the name we bear.

This morning we have laid upon our Altar the most treasured possession of a British Corps, its Regimental Colour. That Colour is in a sense the soul of the Regiment, the visible reminder of all that the Regiment has accomplished, the symbol of its continued life and unity. This Colour, which has seen over seventy years of continuous service and is the second oldest in the British Army, bears ten Battle Honours specially selected from many others gained during the Great War, "Mons," "Marne 1914," "La Basse 1914," "Ypres 1915, 17, 18," "Loos," "Somme 1916, 18," "Albert 1916, 18," "Cambrai 1917, 17," "Selle," "Doiran 1918."

Battle Honours

On the King's Colour, which is now only carried when Royalty are present, there are 24 Battle Honours, dating from Gibraltar in 1704, to the Relief of Ladysmith in 1900, and covering all parts of the globe.

Before singling out a few instances of the way in which the men of the Regiment have met the challenge of the hour in the traditional spirit of St. George, just a word about the origin and constitution of this ancient and justly famous corps, which, during a period of more than two centuries, has fought in most of the chief British campaigns and gained renown in every quarter of the globe.

Raised as a Marine Corps in 1702, the Regiment took part in the capture of Gibraltar, and there gained its first Battle Honour. Ten years later the title of the regiment was changed to the 31st Regiment of Foot. In 1756 the 31st were ordered to raise a second battalion, which later was made a second corps and numbered the 70th. In 1881, after a lapse of 123 years, both battalions were again united as the 1st and 2nd Battalions the East Surrey Regiment.

Now for one or two illustrations, and I would have you observe how the spirit of St. George manifests itself in different ways, meeting the emergency with courage and resourcefulness as the occasion demands. The old 31st is stationed in Jersey in 1804, when a fire breaks out in the Magazine in the centre of St. Helier. A young soldier of the Regiment, a Cornishman, judging by his name, breaks in the doors and succeeds in removing the gun-powder just in time to avert an explosion which would have destroyed half the town.

In 1825, when two companies of the regiment were en route for the east, the "East-Indian," on which they were travelling, caught fire and was totally destroyed during a heavy storm. Eye-witnesses record that the discipline of the men under these terrible circumstances was beyond praise, and it was chiefly owing to their steadiness and courageous action that 550 out of the 637 on board were saved. The survivors were eventually picked up and taken to Falmouth on the 200 ton brig "Cambria."

The 31st played an important part in the Sikh War of 1845. At the Battle of Sobraon, the officer carrying the Regimental Colour—the counterpart of that upon our Altar this morning—fell mortally wounded. A young Sergeant caught up the Colour from the hands of the fallen officer, and, rushing forward, succeeded in placing it upon the highest part of the ramparts. He was rewarded with a Commission, and later lost his life leading a sortie from the Residency at Lucknow during the Indian Mutiny.

The Regiment holds the Battle Honour "Sevastopol," won in the Crimean War, "Taku Forts" for their work in the China War of 1860, and two Battle Honours for South Africa.

The regimental history recording the work of its eighteen battalions in the Great War supplies a host of illustrations suitable to our subject this morning. Not without good reason could Sir John French say of the East Surreys, as he did as early as December 1914, when addressing them on parade, "You have crowded into four months of this campaign enough fighting to fill the Battle Honours of an army corps, and by your conduct throughout you not only have upheld, but greatly added to the fame of a grand Regiment."

Regimental Day

But I single out that which led to the choice of April 23 as the Regimental Day of Remembrance for the Second Battalion. Both 1st and 2nd Battalions had met in the Salient on the eve of the Second Battle of Ypres, in which both were to play so gallant a part. Of this Ypres Salient, hardly larger than the area of greater Shanghai, the long agony was just beginning. It was to continue through four long years, until it was almost true to say, as it was said of the field of Minden, that "every turf beneath their feet shall be a soldier's sepulchre." The battle began with a British attack on Hill 60, the highest point of the Zillebeke Ridge, three miles south east of the city. It is only a hill in name, for actually it was only a slight eminence about 60 feet higher than the surrounding country, a small open space of ploughed land surrounded on all sides by woods. The British and German trenches were only 50 yards apart, but the Germans held the upper slopes and the summit. Following the blowing up of five mines, the 13th Infantry Brigade, in a most gallant action, captured the hill on the night of April 17. The position they had won formed a salient and was deluged by fire from three sides. Counter attacks were repulsed, with incessant fighting throughout the 18th and 19th.

On the evening of the 19th the East Surreys took over the advanced position. That night the shelling increased in intensity, the defenders suffering heavy losses, and in the early morning of April 20, the enemy, thinking that all spirit of resistance must have been crushed, launched an attack. This attack was, however, repulsed after heavy fighting, in which L/Cpl. Dwyer, a boy of under 20, boldly jumped on to the parapet of his trench and flung bombs into the advancing enemy. For this action he was awarded the Victoria Cross. After withdrawing, the enemy redoubled their shelling, reducing the trenches held by the Surreys to a shambles, and as night was falling they launched a second attack in greater strength. For several hours this attack raged, finally dying down in the early hours of the morning. All attacks were completely repulsed after terrific fighting, and at 6 a.m. on April 21 the Surreys were able to hand over the position intact, as it had been taken over by them two days earlier, leaving behind them 15 officers and 264 N.C.O.s and men.

Record for All Time

In addition to the one already mentioned, two other Victoria Crosses were won on April 20 by members of the Regiment—surely a record for all time. I quote from the official Gazette the citation in regard to the award made to Lieut. George Rowland Patrick Roupell, "for most conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on April 20, 1915, when he was commanding a front trench on 'Hill 60,' which was subjected to a most severe bombardment throughout the day. Though wounded in several places, he remained at his post and led his company in repelling a strong German attack. During a lull in the bombardment he had his wounds hurriedly dressed, and then insisted in returning to his trench, which was again being subjected to a heavy bombardment. Towards evening his company, being dangerously weakened, he went back to his battalion headquarters, represented the situation to his Commanding Officer, and brought up reinforcements, passing backwards and forwards over ground swept by heavy fire. With these reinforcements he held his position throughout the night, and until his battalion was relieved next morning. This young officer was one of the few survivors of his company, and showed a magnificent example of courage, devotion and tenacity, which undoubtedly inspired his men to hold out to the end."

No less inspiring is the citation in regard to 2nd Lieut. Geary, the third winner of a "V.C." in this day's fighting. It was granted "for most conspicuous bravery and determination on 'Hill 60,' when he held the left crater with his platoon. The crater was first exposed to very heavy artillery fire, which broke down the defences, and afterwards throughout the night to repeated bomb attacks, which filled it with dead and wounded. Each attack was, however, repulsed, mainly owing to the splendid personal gallantry and example of 2nd Lieut. Geary. At one time he used a rifle with great effect, at another threw hand grenades, and exposed himself with entire disregard to danger in order to see by the light of flares where the enemy were coming on. In the interval between the attacks he spent his whole time arranging for the ammunition supply and for reinforcements. He was severely wounded just before daylight on April 21st."

It was the First Battalion whose gallant action we have been considering, but meanwhile the Second was no less gloriously upholding the honour of the Regiment. When the enemy broke through with the aid of gas, against which our men had no effective protection, the 2nd Battalion in their sector held up all attacks and took many prisoners. On April 25 their casualties were 254 killed and wounded, and their total casualties during the second battle of Ypres amounted to the appalling total of 20 officers and 794 N.C.O.'s and men.

While this battle was raging, there died on a hospital ship in the Mediterranean, an Englishman who speaks for all those gallant men whose sacrifices we today remember.

Rupert Brooke died on St. George's Day 1915 and this is the message he left behind.—

"Think only this of me
That there's some corner of a foreign field
That is forever England. There shall be
In that rich earth a richer dust concealed;
A dust whom England bore, shaped, made aware,
Gave, once, her flowers to love, her ways to roam,
A body of England's.........."

Thanks to God

In a few moments you will be asked to sing the hymn for St. George's Day. In it we shall thank God for the example of our Patron Saint, and by that symbol, of all who like him have set us an example of unselfish service, and sacrifice. Men and women of old England, who in an infinite variety of action have witnessed a good confession and lived courageously and unselfishly! Manifesting in their lives all that we venerate and strive for, and who have come out of great tribulation in the joy of their Lord.

The second verse of the hymn opens,—

"Blazon'd on our country's banner,
England bears the true knight's sign;"—

It is the sign of the Cross, and it is in the spirit of sacrificial service of which the Cross is the symbol, and in that spirit only, that we can hope to walk worthy of our high vocation. To merit a place in the high company of those whose deeds and heroism we have been considering this morning. That hymn also contains a prayer for consecration and strength. We shall need both if we are to walk worthy of our calling. We who bear the name of England do not lightly esteem the honour it carries with it, nor must we forget the responsibility it entails. For we live in difficult and dangerous days, and there is a tendency to give way to pessimism and despair. We need to catch again the spirit of "St. George for England," —the spirit that enabled Englishmen of years gone by to turn many a seeming disaster into a triumph. We need it in our individual lives as we face the enemies that challenge there. We need it as we face the world unrest about us. We have a still greater than St. George, who is our leader and in whose strength we wage our holy war. And so our hymn closes,—

"Jesus, Lord, Thou mighty Victor,
Thy all glorious name we praise;
Thou art with us, God Almighty;....
Lead us on through all our days."

Important Rail Link In London

Electrified L.N.E.R. to Join Underground System

London, Apr. 22.

The section of the London tube between Moorgate in the City and Finsbury Park, a North London suburb, was closed soon after the lunch hour today until early Monday morning to permit the London Passenger Transport Board to carry out one of the quickest and most extensive "change-overs" in the history of the London underground.

This engineering feat is connected with the electrification of the L.N.E.R. suburban lines and the linking of them with the underground system. It will involve heightening of the track and alterations to the signalling system, and will result in the substitution of the entire rolling stock by more modern coaches.—Wireless through Reuter.

Suicide Attempt Fails: Rope Breaks

Japanese Expresses Thanks To Manufacturers

Tokyo, Apr. 23.

How a length of artificial rope, made of staple fibre, saved the life of a would-be suicide was revealed today in a letter of thanks sent to the rope manufacturer.

The would-be suicide, A. Tanaka, writes: "I had only been hanging a few seconds—everything was swirling madly—my neck began to ache—I repented, and, I thought, perhaps too late—then the rope broke, your rope, and I fell into the waiting arms of a policeman. Many thanks."

The policeman took him off to jail, where he wrote his letter of gratitude. Tanaka is so enthused over his good fortune that he can't remember his reasons for attempting suicide.

The use of staple fibre has been encouraged in Japan as a means of conserving other materials needed as war supplies.—United Press.

Naval Protection For Canada

Question of An Independent Navy For Dominion Studied In London

London, Apr. 22.

The question of cruisers for Canada's defence again has been raised in British naval circles.

It is admitted that the Dominion is in a comparatively happy position, with the powerful United States fleet as a bulwark. It is believed here, however, that increased naval defences by Canada would be as welcome in Washington as London.

As far as the Pacific coast defence is concerned, it is admitted much must depend on the American navy. The nearest British strongpoint is the Singapore base of Hongkong, and in event of war in the Pacific, Japan would be sitting astride the British lines of communication across the Pacific ocean.

Should the British navy be defeated and overwhelmed by some chance that at present seems remote, Canada would be in a bad position. Much of the Dominion's prosperity depends upon the export of primary products. Should it be deprived of the protection of export routes by the British navy, Canada's economic stability would be threatened. Taking a long view, the defeat of the British navy undoubtedly would mean ruin of Canada with the Atlantic lines of communication in the hands of the enemy.

In Contrast With Australia

Canada's attitude toward naval defence has long been an irritating factor to other Dominions. Australians have protested that while they, with their smaller population and slightly smaller natural wealth, have built a fleet to help in empire defence, Canada has been content with a few destroyers and other odd units.

Naval experts in London, however, point out that naval expansion by Canada was not particularly desired as long as the restrictive quantitative naval treaties were in existence. These specified a total naval tonnage for the British Empire, and it is felt in London that such tonnage could usually be better employed for developing the Royal Navy.

Now that these restrictive treaties have gone by the board, the British government would be glad to see any or every Dominion develop a fleet of its own.—United Press.

Camel Kills Japanese

Tokyo, Apr. 23.

A man who attempted to thrash a camel in the Kyoto Zoo was found the following morning bitten and kicked to death in the cage of the animal he attacked. The dead man was Zenroku Suzuki, 25, an employee of Japan's Electrical Company. Previous to his bout with the camel he had been drinking heavily and quarrelling in several bars.

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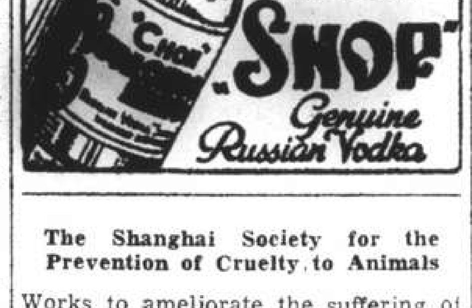

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